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Vessels.	Tons.	H.P.	Captains.	Saturday. 1894.
R.I. SHANNON	4189	800	E. Crewe	27th Jan.
† CLYDE	4126	800	J. L. Parfitt	3rd Feb.
R.I. ORIENTAL	5345	1200	L. H. Moule	10th "
† SUTLEJ	4395	800	W. Worcester	17th "
R.I. ROME	5545	1200	A. R. Daniell	24th "
† GANGES	4399	800	G. W. Atkinson	3rd March.
R.I. CARTHAGE	5018	1000	M. de Horne	10th "
† SUTLEJ	4395	800	W. Worcester	17th "
R.I. CLYDE	4126	800	J. L. Parfitt	24th "
† GANGES	4395	800	G. Atkinson	31st "
R.I. OCEANA	6302	1500	E. Stewart	7th April.
† SIAM	3260	500	H. Weighell	14th "
R.I. ORIENTAL	5666	1200	L. H. Moule	21st "
† ASSAM	3260	500	T. F. Creery	28th "
R.I. HIMALAYA	6898	2000	J. Orman	5th May.
† SIAM	3258	500	H. Weighell	12th "
R.I. THAMES	4173	800	W. A. Seaton	19th "

The Steamers marked R.I. proceed to Brindisi, Malta, Gibraltar, Plymouth, and London.
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April 17	Shannon	4189	800	E. Crewe.

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March 21st	April 4th	April 18th.

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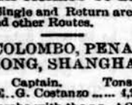

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1894.

Vessel.	Tons.	Captain.	To leave Bombay
ASIA	3,561	J. Laird	March 2.
PERSIA	3,547	R. Hutchinson	March 17.
HISPANIA	3,330	S. Abrey	March 31.
ARABIA	3,544	C. H. Hillcoat	April 19.
BRITANNIA	2,029	J. Brown	May 3.
ASIA	3,561	J. Laird	June 8.

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	Rs.
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3. Single Ponies in Harness.
4. Teams.
5. Tandems.
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8. Chargers—Arabs or C. Bs.
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Grand Anatomical Museum, Boree Bunder.
Address by Rao Bahadur C.N. Bhat, Wilson College, 5-30 p.m.

VESSELS SAILED.—The following vessels sailed yesterday :—Rosetta (s), for China, &c.; Bawtry (s), Trieste, &c.; and City of Dundee (s), Liverpool.

VICTORIA DOCK.—The steamer Bawtry, Rosetta, and Muke Maru left the dock yesterday.

DANCE AT THE YACHT CLUB.—There will be a dance at the Yacht Club, on Monday, the 29th January.

DEPARTURE OF A NATIVE CHIEF.—The Chief of Bhore left Bombay for his territories on Wednesday last.

MUSIC AT THE ESPLANADE BANDSTAND.—The Band of the Marine Battalion will not play at the Esplanade Bandstand this morning.

A NEW YEAR CALENDAR.—We have received a pretty wall calendar from the Imperial Life Insurance Company through their local agents Messrs. F. Fischer and Co.

POSTAL NOTICE.—Mails for Karachi, Sind, and the Kathiawar Coast Ports, per extra s. s. Pachumba, will be closed at the General Post Office, at 8 a.m., to-morrow, the 27th instant.

UNIVERSITY QUESTIONS.—In connection with his canditature for election to the Senate by the Graduates, Rao Bahadur C.N. Bhat, B.A., LL.B. will explain his views on certain University questions before a public meeting in Wilson College (Chowpatty), at 5-30 p.m., to-day.

THE RECENT FIRES.—Mr. Nicholls, Superintendent, of the Bombay Fire Brigade, has presented a report to the Municipal Commissioner, concerning the two recent fires, from which it appears that the amount of damage at the Wari Bunder fire was two and a-half lakhs, and at the Carnac Road outbreak Rs. 1,48,000.

MILL ACCIDENT.—Fattia Hurry, aged twenty-five years, residing at Dadar and employed in the Currimbhoy Mill, at DeLisle Road, met with an accident whilst at work on Wednesday, by getting his left hand accidentally caught in a machine, which was in motion. The man was removed to the J. J. Hospital, where the injured hand was amputated.

RESULT OF EXCESSIVE DRINKING.—Govind Martand, a Hindu, aged fifty years, residing at Two Tanks, while going up a staircase in his house, under the influence of liquor, on Tuesday evening, fell down to the ground, a distance of about twelve feet and sustained serious injuries to his head. Govind was picked up unconscious, and removed to the J. J. Hospital by his friends.

RAID ON A DEN OF GAMBLERS.—At the instance of Inspector Briscoe, one Ramkoo, a woman, Golam Vally, and eleven others, were yesterday placed before Mr. P. H. Dustoor, Fourth Presidency Magistrate, No. 1 being charged with keeping a common gaming house, at Falkland Road, and the rest with gaming therein with cards and money. The Magistrate convicted all the accused and fined No. 1 Rs. 25, No. 2, who is a noted gambler, Rs. 50, and the rest Rs. 5 each.

A SUDDEN DEATH.—Parbuttee, a Hindu woman, aged thirty years, while going along Gogari Street, on Wednesday last, suddenly fell down and died almost immediately. From inquiries made by the police it appears that the woman had been suffering from heart-disease for some time past. Mr. Allan F. Turner, the coroner, held an inquest yesterday, at Pinjarapole, on view of the body of the deceased, when a verdict of death from heart-disease was returned by the jury.

PRIZE SHOOTING.—February 22 is the date fixed for commencing the annual meeting of the Bombay Volunteer Rifle Association on the Coorla ranges. Messrs. Treacher & Co., Lund and Blockley, Phillips & Co., Marcks & Co., C. E. Phillimore & Co., and Soundy & Co. have contributed to the prize fund, while it is stated that other prizes aggregating Rs. 1,000 in value will be offered for competition, and gold, silver, and bronze medals will be given for the aggregate scores made with the rifle or carbine.

SERIOUS CARRIAGE COLLISION AT BHENDY BAZAAR.—At 10 a.m., on Wednesday last, a serious collision took place at Bhendy Bazaar between a victoria, driven by Mr. Oosman Jamal and the police prison van, which was at the time proceeding to the Esplanade Police Court with prisoners. The result was that the shafts of the victoria penetrated the front part of the van, under the coach-box causing some damage. The accident appears to have been due to the horse attached to the victoria shying at something and becoming restive. The driver of the prisoner van was keeping to his right side, and no blame could be attached to him.

"UTOPIA" AT THE GAIETY.

On the boards of the Gaiety Theatre, on Wednesday night, was produced the latest opera of the merry collaborateurs, Mr. W. S. Gilbert and Sir Arthur Sullivan, entitled "Utopia, Limited," for the third time by the popular burlesque company of Captain Harry Stanley. It attracted a very large and appreciative audience. The orchestra, under the baton of Mr. Trimnell, did justice to the music in a manner which reflected great credit upon the director's capability and special knowledge. The Utopian despot (Mr. R. Stephenson) was seen quite at home in his kingly part, and he made upon the audience a very powerful impression as belonging to that class of versatile actors who certainly do not appear on the Indian stage frequently. He has been specially brought from Australia by Mr. Stanley, and the audience demonstrated their mark of hearty reception to him by duly greeting him warmly. Miss Amy Childs played the part of Princess Zara in which she had to answer the most exacting demands, and she did it with such grace and ability, and nothing could have been prettier or livelier. The acting of Misses Nellie Lorme and Cynthia Carey (the younger daughters of the King) was full of brilliancy, and their scenes with the Lord Chamberlain (Mr. A. Fawcett) and the Company Promoter (Mr. A. Royd), when the latter gentlemen were trying to remove their timidity fairly brought down the house. Miss Fanny Stanley as the English Governante, made the most of her opportunities and in her encounter with the king proved herself a clever artiste. Mr. E. Phillips (Capt. Fitzbattleaze of the Life Guards) made his part come well within the range of possibilities. The portrayal of Calynx by Mr. W. G. Carey proved him to be actor of the first water. His appearance, his make-up, and the intonation of his voice were full of rich humour, but his acting throughout was absolutely free from burlesque. The two wise men (Messrs. W. Stanley and Driscoll) and the Public Exploder (Mr. Empson) formed a capital trio, and they kept well to the front a role which in other hands might have sunk into insignificance. Misses Angel Potter, Dolly Childs, Flo. Childs, and Edith Gwynne made charming Utopian maidens, and although they were overshadowed owing to the minor importance of their parts, yet there was no difficulty in recognizing them as clever actresses. A good word must be said about Mr. Royd (a Company Promoter) he is a good actor, and he has a powerful voice so that much may be expected of him during the season. He gave a good song (advising everybody to turn his concern into a liability company), for which he was loudly applauded. Mr. Fawcett made a splendid Lord Chamberlain, and was eminently successful. The opera was produced with spirit and verve, and everybody returned home delighted.

Last night, the Japanese opera, "Mikado," was staged, and to-night the Company will play "Ali Baba or the Forty Thieves," which affords opportunities for the display of scenic effects.

GENERAL KODOLITSCH, the well-known Austrian sportsman, who died recently at San Remo, left a will in which he bequeathed his valuable stud, comprising 52 horses, estimated to be worth at least 30,000l., to his nephews. The widow disputes this will, saying that the General bought the horses with her money, and cannot bequeath them to anyone but herself. Now, the racing laws forbid anyone to race other horses than his own, and if it is proved that the horses raced by the late General belonged to his wife, all the prizes they ever gained must be repaid, the amount being about fifteen thousand pounds. It will be very difficult for the lawyers to decide who is right in this case if the widow and the nephews resort to a law-suit, and cannot come to an amicable arrangement. The best horses in the stud are Espoir, Flavie, Gallop, Gay, Chatain, Powidl, Millionaire, Galantine, Queen of of Trumps, Macte, Fara da Sa, Wild Lady, Schoolroom Maid, and Springflower. The race-horses are Catery, Laszlo, Mignon, Scot Grey, Szerencse, Clever, Baltavar, Wurtemberg, Hussar, Hindoo, Mount Everest, Tillay, Distanzritt, Isabella, Van Dyck, Hero, and Hendrik.

HIGH COURT.—APPELLATE SIDE.

(Before the Hon. Mr. JUSTICE JARDINE and the Hon. Mr. JUSTICE RANADE.)

MURDER OF A BOY FOR HIS ORNAMENTS.

IMPERATRIX VS PAHUJEE BUDHO AND MANIK TAPIRAM.

THESE were appeals from a decision of Mr. A Steward, Sessions Judge of Khandesh, who in December last, convicted the two accused of the murder of a boy named Pappa, and sentenced them to death. Mr. Shivram Vithal appeared for the first accused; Mr. N. V. Gokhale for the second; and the Government Pleader, for the Crown.

The accused were charged with murder in causing the death of Pappa Raghunath, at Karab, in the Pachora taluka, on the 17th November last. The first accused pleaded guilty to the charge, while the second claimed to be tried. The facts of the case, as stated in the confession of the first accused, appear to be these. The two prisoners became acquainted in the jail at Bhusaval while undergoing sentence of imprisonment. After their release from jail, the second accused went to the village of the first, and asked him to go to his house some day. The invitation was availed of, and the first accused visited the second at his village. The second told the first accused, that he had to dispose of his bullock and purchase a pair worth about Rs. 100. Some time later the same day they met in the market, and they went together towards the ginning factory there. The boy Pappa was also going towards it in front of them. The second accused asked the first to bring the boy behind the factory. He did so, and the second accused joined them, and the three commenced to go towards the factory. Papa was injured in his feet by a thorn and sat down, when the second accused caught hold of both his hands by one of his hands, and gagged his mouth by the other hand, standing on his legs, and asked the first accused to throttle him, which he did. The second accused then took out a thin coil rope from his pocket and tied it round Pappa's neck and strangled him to death. He then took off the wristlets, and the first accused the ear-rings from the dead body of the boy, and allowed other silver ornaments to remain on the body. It was about sunset then. They left the field where they had murdered the boy about 6-30 p.m., and going near the town wall, buried the ornaments in a dung-hill. Next morning the first accused went to the dunghill, and removed the ornaments to Erandol. The next day in the evening he went to Takli and put the ear-rings in an earthen pot in the house of his sister. About a mile from Bhadgaon, near a well on his way to Erandol, he put on one of the wristlets on his wrist, and made a ring of the other with the assistance of a stone, and put it on his finger.

The evidence in the case showed that the deceased boy was about eleven years of age. The two accused were both deceived, for the ornaments for which the crime was committed, consisted of two wristlets, ostensibly of gold, but really only silver-plated with gold. The first accused also deceived the second, for he decamped to Takli with the wristlets and ear-rings, which were really of gold. Here he was afterwards arrested by the police, and the gilt wristlets were found on him, and he produced the gold ear-rings out of an earthen pot. The Sessions Judge could see no extenuating circumstances, and sentenced both the accused to be hanged.

Mr. Justice Jardine, in delivering the Court's decision on the appeal, said: In this case, there is no donbt that, on the 17th November, at Bhadgaon, the boy Pappa was murdered. When the body was found next morning, there was a mark round the neck, which, the witnesses say, seemed to be caused by strangulation. Some ornaments which the boy was wearing were missing from the body. On the 20th November, the prisoner Pahuji was arrested by the police near his sister's house at the village of Takli, wearing one of these ornaments, a wristlet; and he then produced from an earthen pot others of them, namely, ear-rings. On the same day, he made a full confession to a third-class Magistrate, and another on the 24th November, to a Magistrate of the first class. At the trial he pleaded guilty, and in his appeal petition he does not contest the correctness of the conviction, but only asks that the sentence may be commuted, because he has confessed from the beginning. There is some evidence confirming the confession; and we see no reason for interfering with the conviction and sentence of Pahuji, which we now confirm. The evidence against the other prisoner, Manik, consists chiefly of his own confession made on the 21st November at Bhadgaon, where an hour or two before he had been arrested by the police and brought before the chief constable. This was in consequence of something which the prisoner Pahuji had told to the police. The confession was recorded by the Magistrate of the second class of Bhadgaon. But on the 24th November, when being examined by the Magistrate of the first class, the prisoner, while admitting that he had made the confession, said that he had been tutored by the second-class Magistrate, and had stated what he had been tutored to say. No property has been found on the prisoner Manik, nor in his possession. The Sessions Judge, however, admitted into his consideration, as against Manik the confessions made by the first prisoner Pahuji, considering that after the plea of guilty had been recorded, and although no issue affecting Pahuji was raised at the trial, he was nevertheless "being jointly tried" along with Manik within the meaning of Section 30 of the Indian Evidence Act, because it was possible that the evidence elicited at the trial of Manik, Pahuji being still at the bar, unconvicted and not sentenced, might enable the Sessions Judge to determine whether to pass the sentence of death or that of transportation for life. No precedent has been shewn us in which a High Court has, in such circumstances, held the co-prisoner's statement admissible. In confirmation case 22 of 1893, the reason, as we have ascertained on consulting our brother Candy, for admitting the statement, was that the Court of Sessions had not dealt with the plea of guilty as if it were such, but had allowed the prisoner so pleading to remain on trial, so that he could cross-examine. The opinion of the assessors was also taken about his guilt. These circumstances do not exist in the present case. After considering Winsor's case, L. R. 1 Q. B. 289, 390, and other English cases there referred to, and 9 Cox, 332, as also I. L. R., 7 Mad., 182, we are of opinion that the Court below ought not to have treated Pahuji as being jointly tried with Manik. The confessions made by Pahuji, we must therefore hold, are not admissible against Manik. We have to say what value should be placed on the confessions of Manik, and to discharge this duty in the light of whatever evidence is obtainable, we direct that the evidence of the second-class Magistrate be taken about the alleged tutoring, and also that of the prisoner Pahuji as to the circumstances in which the murder was committed. No objection is taken to this course by the pleader who appears for Manik. Pahuji, as a witness, may be cross-examined by Manik or his pleader. We direct the Sessions Judge to take this evidence, and certify it to this Court within one month.

A MARWAREE CHARGED WITH KILLING HIS OWN DAUGHTER.

IMPERATRIX VS. JETHMUL NARAYEN.

The prisoner in this case appealed from a decision of Mr. S. Hammick, Sessions Judge of Ahmednagar, who, in November last, convicted him of culpable homicide not amounting to murder, and sentenced him to five years' rigorous imprisonment. Mr. Jardine, with Mr. B. N. Bhajikar, appeared for the accused; and the Government Pleader, for the Crown.

The prisoner was charged with causing the death of his daughter Janki on the 8th October last. The accused is a Marwaree money-lender and cloth-seller, living at Belapur. His family consisted, besides himself, of his son, aged 14, a daughter, aged 7 or 8, a Brahmin woman who was his cook and mistress, and her daughter, aged 7 or 8 years. His other daugher Janki, aged 17 or 18, has also been staying in his house for two months or more. On the 8th October, about 7 a.m., two men, Khandu and Govinda, were passing Jethmul's door, and looking in they saw Jethmul strike his daughter Janki with a stick on her left side. About 4 p. m. the same day Janki died, and at 5 p.m., her body was about to be removed from Jethmul's house in order that it might be burned. The police, however, as the death was sudden and suspicious, arrested the procession. They found external marks of violence on the body, and the post mortem examination revealed the fact that one rib was broken, and that the spleen was ruptured. In these circumstances, Jethmul was charged with having caused his daughter's death; and since his committment, it had transpired that, during the night of the 8th October, he attempted to bribe the police to let the matter drop. Jethmul had in the Sessions Court admitted the death of Janki, but he stated that she had been ill since her return from her father-in-law's house. When asked to explain the fracture of the rib and rupture of the spleen, he said that Janki complained that she had been beaten by the Brahmin woman. The Session Judge came to the conclusion that the violence which caused Janki's death was the act of Jethmul, and he was therefore convicted and sentenced. The Sessions Judge was of opinion that Jethmul being the head and the only male adult member of the household, was bound, if he could, to explain Janki's death. If he failed to do so, he could not complain if he himself was held responsible.

Mr. Justice Jardine, in delivering the Court's decision, said: The Sessions Judge and both assessors disbelieved the stories of the two persons who say they saw the prisoner beating his daughter Janki. The Judge, differing from the assessors, held on the probabilities that it was more likely that the prisoner rather than the other inmate of his house, i. e., his mistress, inflicted the injuries which are proved to have caused the death. He has not come to any conclusion that the guilt of the prisoner is established by the evidence beyond reasonable doubt. The prisoner is not to be convicted because he has not tried to explain to the Court how the death occurred, or by whose means. As remarked in Empress vs. Dhunno Kazi and another I. L. R., 8 Cal. 121, a prisoner on his trial is merely on the defensive, and owes no duty to any one but himself. We are of opinion that there is reasonable doubt whether the prisoner inflicted the injuries; and we now reverse the conviction and sentence, and direct that he be set at liberty.

A CHIEF CASHIER IN TROUBLE.

AT the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday, Mr. Cooper, Chief Presidency Magistrate, resumed the hearing of the case, in which John Joseph De Silva, lately chief cashier in the firm of Messrs. W. and A. Graham and Co., stands charged with criminal breach of trust and theft in respect of about Rs. 37,000 belonging to the firm.

Mr. Kirkpatrick, instructed by Messrs. Craigie, Lynch, and Owen conducted the prosecution, while Mr. Bhaishanker, of Messrs. Bhaishanker and Kanga, solicitors, defended the accused.

Mr. J. F. N. Graham was called and further examined by Mr. Kirkpatrick. He said that there were two safes in the office. Witness told the accused that Mr. Harrington had estimated the amount of defalcations to the extent of three lakhs of rupees. This was done only to get an idea of the correct figure from the accused, who replied that the amount was nearly that much.

Mr. H. E. Harrington, the head book-keeper to Messrs. W. and A. Graham & Co., being examined by Mr. Kirkpatrick, said that he was employed in the firm for over seventeen years, and now resided on the premises. Mr. Graham went away to Poona for a few weeks in last August, and during his absence witness observed certain irregularities in the books. On the 18th August, Rs. 50,000 were paid by Messrs. Varjivandas Madhavdas and Co. to the credit of their accounts with the firm. No entry had been made of the item in the cash-book by the accused. The money would be paid by check to the accused. In the indentors' deposit account that amount appeared on the credit, but the entry was wrongly made. He sent for the accused and called his attention to it. At page 232 of the rough cash-book, under date, 18th August, that amount appeared on the debit side and the accused's attention was called to this entry also as an erroneous one. Considering that the entry referred to B. Gangaram's account in the indentors' deposit book, witness refered to that account, but could not find it there. Moreover, the entry appeared to have been erased. When he called accused's attention to that he replied that the entry had been under a wrong heading. The accused was asked to look into the matter. Witness followed him to the room and said that the amount had been misappropriated. Accused did not attempt to deny the allegation. The indentors' deposit accounts were examined and defalcations in that account amounted to from two to three lakhs of rupees. This occurred before Mr. Graham returned from Poona. The accused, on being asked admitted "I have taken it," or something to that effect. He added it had all gone into the library, meaning the Bombay Circulating Library, of which he was the proprietor. He also admitted that this had been going on since 1884. When Mr. Graham returned to Bombay on the 21st August last, witness reported the defalcations to him, and cash was counted that evening at the office. Witness was present at the time, the deficiency scrutinised being Rs 11,251, some annas and pies. Witness continued to examine the books until 21st August last, and when the books were being examined he came across the account of Madanji Khimji in the indentors' deposit book, from which he found that Rs. 2,277-15-6 was due by him to the firm. When accused was asked if it was so he replied in the negative, saying that the account had been settled, and brought a statement of accounts prepared by him. Witness produced the statement, which was put in. There was an endorsement on the paper in these words: "Paid 18-10-92." It was in accused's handwriting. Witness told the accused "Then you appropriated the amount" ? and he said "Yes." The amount misappropriated by the accused amounted Rs. 1,255-3-6 in this instance, Witness also discovered that Rs. 24,000 paid by Madanji Khimji was also misappropriated. He heard of the payment in April last from the assistant cashier. Witness went straight to the accused, and enquired of him about the money. He also asked him an explanation about Rs. 19,000 received on the 1st of March. The accused replied that if the amount was entered in the books on the credit side, the cash balance should have been effected. The witness understood by this that the amount misappropriated by the accused amounted to Rs. 19,000, and the omission of the entry would cover or hide the deficit. The accused admitted having taken that sum also. He asked the accused what was done with the money, and his reply was "It's all gone to the library." Witness granted the accused a grace of a week or ten days, at his request, to enable him to make good the money. The entry for Rs. 24,000 which should have been made on the 1st March, was made on the 29th of April. The time allowed having expired, witness pressed the accused to make good the amount. The accused was distinctly told that he must pay up the money before the end of of the financial year. He found that the accused had not paid in the money. This matter was also brought to the notice of Mr. Graham on the 21s of August as he returned from Poona. It was after the 21st of August that he saw a piece of paper pasted on page 151 of indentors' deposit book. He was not quite positive on the point, but he said that to the best of his recollection. He was, however, sure that he saw it after the omission of the entries for Rs. 24,000 and Rs. 19,000 had been brought to his notice. When going through the account books he came across the pasted slip, and asked why that was done. The accused pasted the piece of paper himself, and admitted having done so. As reason for doing so, he said that he wanted to conceal the fact from Mr. Graham, that the entry was made in the cash-book on the 6th March. The accused then, by the order of the witness, entered the item on the paper. His object in getting the entry made was to obtain the accused's admission as to the receipt of the sum. Witness then checked the items under the piece pasted, and found that they were all there with the exception of the entries about Rs. 24,000, which he got the accused to enter on the next page. The accused had also entered the date (6th March) by the side of the entry. Against the figures Rs. 19,000 he had also entered the date (1st March) in pencil. The object of making the entry was to have it on the record.

Maganlal Jeevraj, a bill collector to the firm of Mudonji Khimji, was next examined for the prosecution. Being examined by Mr. Kirkpatrick, witness deposed to the firm having paid the amounts of Rs. 1,255 and Rs. 24,000 to Messrs. Graham and Company through the accused.

Cross-examination of all the witnesses was reserved by the accused's solicitor, and the case was adjourned until next Wednesday.

THIRTEEN degrees of frost in the heart of London is a record which is not often obtained from a screened glass; but, that was the reading in the City at one o'clock on the morning of January 4. At a moderate computation, this probably represented a minimum temperature of thirteen or fourteen in the more exposed portions of suburban London. During the protracted frost which visited the Metropolis three winters ago, when the ice on the Serpentine was thick enough to permit the passage of a horse and trap across it, the lowest reading in the month of January was 25, a point which was reached on three successive mornings. That was twice exceeded in the preceding month, December. On the 15th of that month the mercury fell to 24, and on New Year's Eve the minimum, 23—nine degrees of frost—was reached. In the outlying portions of the Metropolis the lowest register was 14. It may be of interest to state that the mean record for December, 1890, was 32·12. The average during the present week has been exactly 29—three and a-half degrees lower.

THE year which has just come to an end was remarkable for even more numerous instances of longevity than its predecessor (according to the *World*). Among the centenarians who have passed away may be mentioned Connor Ryan, of Balfinderry, who was born in 1780, fought in the rising of '98, thatched cottages at 106, and lost his wife in her 109th year; Polly Thompson, aged 107; Thomas Morgan, of Cwmbran, aged 107 (his wife lived to be 106); Dr. Severin Wielobycki, of London, aged 101; Miss Mary Bennett, of Bath, 101; and the Rev. John Wright, of Sidcup, aged 100. The Baroness de Aann died in Paris, aged 102; and Madame Veuve Garnier, of Bordeaux, was two years older; while Catherine Gabach, of Tarascon, was only 100. America claims one or two cases of longevity which (if authenticated) are even more extraordinary than that of the Russian Theodore Kasnowsky, who died at Volhynia, last summer, in his 120th year. Mrs. Lirl Lesczynski, a New York Jewess, was reported to be 124 at the time of her decease, but she has been outlived by "Indian John," an inmate of the Portland poor-house, and Joseph Stoddard, of Duroh, South Carolina, who are said to be 125 and 130 respectively. Hungary is well to the fore with Madame Sarbs, who was born in 1777, and lived chiefly on coffee for some years prior to her death last month.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE B. B. R. A SOCIETY.

THE annual meeting of the members of the Bombay Branch of the Royal Asiatic Society was held, yesterday afternoon, on the premises of the Library. Dr. J. Gerson da Cunha, vice-President of the society, occupied the chair, and there were also present:—The Hon'ble Mr. H. M. Birdwood; the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Candy; H. H. the Agakhan; the Hon'ble Mr. W. R. MacDonnell; the Hon'ble Mr. Javerilal U. Yajnik; Messrs. Geo. A. Kittridge; H. R. H. Wilkinson; K. R. Kama; R. P. Karkaria; James MacDonald; J. P. Phythian; Robert Pescio; J. J. Mody; O. N. Haridas; J. Avent; O. V. Muller; B. K. Kotewal; D. R. Chiohgar; M. H. Nazar; H. S. Dixit; D. E. Wacha; Dr. De Monte; Rev. Dr. B. De Monte; Rev. Abbot; and Raosaheb D. P. Kharkhar.

The Hon. Mr. Javerilal Umiashanker Yajnik read the report of the retiring committee, from which we give the following extracts:—Members (Resident).—37 gentlemen were elected members during the year under report, and 2 non-resident members came on the resident list, one of whom compounded for his future subscription by the payment of a lump sum of Rs. 500. Four members withdrew, 3 retired, 4 died, 1 was removed from the list, and 1 having left Bombay was placed on the non-resident list. The total number at the end of the year was thus 245, including 13 life members, against 219 at the end of the preceding year. Of these 42 were absent from India. Non-Resident.—Six gentlemen were elected under this class, and 1 was transferred from the list of resident members. 3 resigned, 1 died, 2 were added to the resident list, and the names of 7 were struck off the roll for non-payment of subscription. The number at the close of 1893 was 63, while that at the end of 1892 was 69. Life Members.—His Highness the Chief of Ichalkaranji, Mr. Rustamji Nanabhai Byramji, and Kumar Shri Baldeoji, of Dharampore, became life members of the Society during the year.

Obituary.—The Society announce with regret the loss by death of the following members:—(Resident). —The Hon'ble Mr. Justice K. T. Telang, C.I.E., president. Damodar Thakarsi Mulji, Esq. Rao Bahadur Yeshwant Moreshwar Kelkar. Hugh Rowbotham, Esq. (Non-Resident).—The Hon'ble Mr. Krishnaji Laxuman Nulkar, C.I.E. The late Mr. Justice Telang always evinced the warmest interest in the affairs of the society and advanced the cause of original research by several valuable contributions to its Journal. He joined the society in 1874, was made a member of the Committee of Management in 1879, and a vice-President in 1887, and in 1892, when Sir Raymond West retired, was elected president in succession to him. Mr. Telang was the first native gentleman who was chosen for the important post of president of this society. Rao Bahadur Yeshwant Moreshwar Kelkar, who joined the society in 1886, acted for several years as one of its Honorary Auditors.

Original Communications.—The papers read before the society during the year were:—(1). The Philosophy of the Vedanta in its relation to occidental metaphysics; by Dr. Paul Deussen, Professor of Philosophy, Kiel (Germany). (2). Was Bhartrihari a Buddhist? by K. B. Pathak, B. A. (3). The Diary of a French Missionary in Bombay from November 8th, 1827, to May 12th, 1828; by Dr. J. Gerson da Cunha. (4). The extant MSS. of the Pahlavi Nirangistan; by Dastur Darab Peshotan Sanjana, B. A.

Library (Issues of Books).—The issues of books during the year under report were 16,004 volumes of new works, including periodicals and 9,976 of old books. The issues during 1892 were 15,174 volumes of new books and 9,439 of the old. The total number of volumes added to the Library during the year was 840. Of these 541 were purchased and 299 presented, compared with 702 volumes purchased and 205 presented in the year before. The presentations of books were received chiefly from the Bombay Government, the Secretary of State for India, the Government of India, the other local Governments, and individual authors.

Coin Cabinet.—The Society's Coin Cabinet received an accession of 137 coins during the year under review. Of these 65 were presented by Lieut.-Col. Hunter, Political Agent, Mahikantha, and the rest were received from different Governments under the Treasure Trove Act as follows:—4 from Bombay, 13 Bengal, 4 Assam, 32 Punjab, 19 Central Provinces. Of the total 137, 7 are gold, 36 silver, 88 copper, and 6 of mixed metal. The following is a detailed descriptive list:—Presented by the Bombay Government.—1 silver coin of Shah Jehan, 1 silver coin of Aurangzeeb, 1 silver coin of Jehangir, 1 silver coin of Mahmad Shah, Mogul Emperor. By Lieut.-Colonel J. M. Hunter, Political Agent, Mahikanta.—65 copper coins of the Mahomedan Kings of Gujerat, mostly of Mahomad Shah, of dates varying from 888 to 920 Hijra, found at Barmuvada, in the Mahikanta State. By the Bengal Government.—6 silver coins of Jehangir, 3 silver coins of Shah Jehan, 1 silver coin of Shah Jehan, 2 silver coins of Akbar, 1 silver coin of Nasir-ud-din Mahammad Shah. By the Government of Assam.—1 silver coin of Sikandar Shah of Bengal, 2 silver coins (Imperial Delhi issue) of Ala-ud-din MahamadShah and (Independent Bengal Issue) of Ala-ud-din Husan Shah. By the Government of Assam.—1 silver coin of Ghiyas-ud-din Azam Shah. By the Punjab Government.—3 silver old Hindu coins (Kuninda variety), 10 copper coins of the following Pathan Sultans of Delhi, Ghiyas-ud-din, Ala-ud-din Mahamad Shah, Qutbaddin Mubarak-shah, Ghiyas-ud-din Taghlak Shah. 1 silver Bactrian of Apollodotus, 1 Moghul gold coin of Jehangir, 1 silver coin of Muzz-ud-din Kaigobad, Pathan Sultan of Delhi, 8 silver and copper coins of the following Pathan Sultans of Delhi, viz., Ala-ud-din Mahamad Shah, Qutub-ud-din Mubarak Shah, Ghyas-ud-din Taghlak Shah, Mahammad II. bin Taghlak. 4 gold coins of Aurangzeeb, 2 silver old Hindu coins (Kuninda variety), 2 gold coins of Shah Jehan. By the Government, Central Provinces.—13 copper coins of the Andhrabhritya dynasty, viz., Shri Satakan Gomiputra, Shri Padumavi Vasethi Putra, Shri Sata kani Gotamiputra, II., 6 coins of mixed metal, of the following kings of the so-called Kalachuri dynasty of Chedi, viz., Jajalla Deva and Ratna Deva.

Journal.—Number 49, forming Part II. of Volume XVIII. of the Journal, was issued during the year. Number 50 is in the Press. This would complete the Volume, and will be issued with an index and title page and the facsimiles to accompany Dr. Bhandarkar's paper on copperplate grants, appearing in No. 49, which have now been received from the Photozincographic Office.

Accounts.—From the statement of receipts and disbursements during 1893 it will be seen that the total amount of subscriptions, including arrears, Rs. 265, collected during the year, was Rs. 9,423-5-4 against Rs. 8,941-13-4 in 1893. There were, besides, Rs. 1,620 received on account of life subscription from one non-resident and three resident members. Of this, Rs. 600 have been duly invested in Government Securities as required by Article XVI. of the Rules, and Rs. 1,000 received towards the close of the year will shortly be invested. The balance to the credit of the society at the end of the year was Rs. 3,062-0-0 (including Rs. 952 on account of the Sir Raymond West Memorial Fund and Rs. 1,000 the amount of life subscription, which remains to be invested). The net balance being Rs. 1,149-12-4 and the arrears of Subscriptions Rs. 230.

Sir Raymond West Memorial.—As stated in the last year's report, the address voted by the society to Sir Raymond West was enclosed in a silver casket prepared at the School of Art and forwarded to him in March last. H. H. the Maharaja of Bhownugger, who is a member of the society, and who happened to be in England at the time, presented, on June 26th, at 46, Queen's Gate, his temporary residence, the address of the society to Sir Raymond, in the presence of a select assembly of ladies and gentlemen, whom he had specially invited for the occasion. A list of books suggested for the Memorial, which was sent to Sir Raymond, has come back from him with his approval, which is communicated in the following letter to the Honorary Secretary:—"I have been giving a good deal of attention lately to the list of books you sent to me as proposed for purchase and inclusion in the Memorial collection. I shall, I assure you, feel highly honoured by having my name attached to such a collection as your list indicates, and I do not on consideration think I should do any material good by attempting to re-cast the list. I found when I attempted speculating to frame a better list in my mind, that I was drawn off towards a multitude of works the cost of which would be far beyond any sum you can have to dispose of. I will only therefore venture to suggest as additions, should additions be possible, two or three works as indications of my interest in economic science. These might be Dictionary of Political Economy: J. Palgrave. Public Finance: Bastable. Philosophy of Political Economy: Bonar. Agricultural Insurances: Pillayet. All these are valuable books, and if there is money enough will be useful elements of the collection." An order has been given to Messrs. A. J. Combridge & Co. for the purchase of the books, which will be received in the course of a month or two. These will be placed in a case by themselves headed the "Sir Raymond West Memorial."

On the motion of Mr. J. Avent, the above report was adopted.

The following Committee of Management was appointed, on the motion of the Hon. Mr. Justice Candy:—

President.—The Hon'ble Mr. H. M. Birdwood, M. A. Vice-Presidents.—Dr. P. Peterson, M.A., Dr. J. Gerson da Cunha, the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Candy, and the Hon'ble W. R. Macdonell. Committee of Management.—The Hon'ble Mr. J. U. Yajnik, Mr. Khursetji R. Kama, Dr. Atmaram Pandurang, Mr. J. Westlake, Dr. D. MacDonald, Mr. J. Griffiths, Prof. M. MacMillan, B.A., Mr. [Geo. A. Kittredge, Rev. R. Scott, M.A., Mr. James MacDonald, Rev. R. M. Gray, Dr. J. M. Campbell, C.I.E., The Hon'ble Mr. Justice M. G. Ranade, C.I.E., Mr. N. G. Chandawarkar, Surgeon-Capt. B. B. Grayfoot, and Major A. B. Mein. Honorary Secretary.—The Hon'ble Mr. Javerilal U. Yajnik. Joint Honorary Secretary.—(Numismatics and Archæology) Dr. J. Gerson da Cunha. Honorary Auditors.—Mr. Darasha Rattanji Chiohgar and Mr. H. R. H. Wilkinson.

This concluded the business.

BOMBAY OPIUM REPORT.

THE administration report of the Opium Department was issued yesterday and from it we take the following extract:—

The bulk of the opium imported into Bombay is grown and manufactured in Native States in Malwa and Rajputana; and for its weighment and for the issue of the necessary passes, and the recovery of the pass-fees due thereon, Government have established scales and mintained offices at Ahmedabad and at the following places in Central India and Rajputana, viz., Indore, Ujjain, Ratlam, Dhar, Jaora, Ajmir, Mandesar, Bhopal and Chitor. Opium passed at the Government scales is packed in chests, each containing 140½ lbs., or in half chests containing each 70 1-8 lbs. avoirdupois.

The manufacture of opium throughout the Presidency is prohibited, and the importation of opium from Malwa is restricted to certain specified routes. All consignments of opium imported into the Presidency are subjected on arrival to examination, and the transport of opium from place to place is permitted only under official passes, and the wholesale trade in the drug has been entirely separated from the retail trade.

Under the orders contained in Government Resolution No. 4721, dated the 4th June 1892, the condition in the license penalizing the farmers for sales of opium below a fixed standard was withdrawn in the year under report, and the contractors instead of paying any license-fees were required to maintain additional establishments for the supervision of their retailers and for the prevention of smuggling. This change was introduced into all districts except the Town and Island of Bombay, where the term for which the farm was let had not expired, in the five southern districts named Belgaum, Dharwar, Bijapur, Kanara, Ratnagiri, and Aden, where the consumption of opium being small, the old license-fee system was retained. The sale of opium or its preparations in any form for consumption on the premises was prohibited, and no licenses for the sale of chandul and madat were, therefore, issued except in the City of Bombay where the prohibition could only be enforced on the expiry of the farm on the 31st July 1893. The maximum quantity of opium allowed to be sold by licensed-vendors to any one person at one time without a special permit was reduced from ten to two tolas throughout the Presidency. Experience, however, having shown that this measure was pressing with undue severity on the people of that portion of the Thar and Parkar district which lies east of the Eastern Nara Canal, owing to their having to undertake very long and toilsome journeys through the desert to obtain their supplies, and the system of special permits not suiting the requirements of the case, the former limit of 10 tolas was restored in that tract towards the end of the year by Government Notification No. 5515, dated 31st July 1893.

Agreements are in force with all Native Chiefs in the Presidency with a view to secure their co-operation in effectually stopping the contraband traffic in opium. Under these agreements—

(1) The cultivation of the poppy has been prohibited in all Native States, except Baroda.

(2) Baroda is permitted to grow the poppy and manufacture opium under a State monopoly, for consumption in its own territory and for export to China. The State has undertaken to assimilate its opium retail system and selling prices to those for the time being in force in adjoining British districts, and to prevent the introduction of Baroda opium into British territory, and into the territories of adjoining Native States.

(3) All other Native States are required to supply themselves with opium for domestic consumption either from some British depot or by direct importation from Malwa under regular passes, and to retail it to their subjects at prices not lower than the retail prices for the time being in force in British districts.

(4) All Native Chiefs are bound to exert themselves to prevent the introduction of untaxed opium into their territories.

(5) In return for the obligations undertaken, the States are guaranteed the enjoyment of the Privileges enumerated below, so long as they faithfully carry out their agreements.

Baroda enjoys the whole of the revenue derivable under its State monopoly, and is, besides, allowed to import from Malwa, free of duty, whatever quantity of Malwa opium may be wanted for its home consumption. Cambay, Palanpur, the Mahi Kanta and the Rewa Kanta States are allowed a remission of the whole of the British duty levied on opium consumed within their limits; Kutch and Kathiawar are allowed a similar remission to the extent of one-third; the Satara Jaghirdars (including the Bhor State, since transferred to the Poona Political Agency, and Jath and Daflapur States since transferred to the Kolhapur Political Agency) of one-tenth; and all other States of one-fifth of the du

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per s. s. Raventhaler.
V B 448 } 1-11—11 cases glass-ware.
Per s. s. Imperatrix.
V B 1554 } 2835-37—3 cases glass-ware.
V B 687 } 147-50, 152-70, 172-76, 178-83, and 185—34 cases earthenware.
On account and at the risk of the defulting Indentor, Ahmed John Mahomed—
Per s. s. Braunfels,
A J M 63 & Co. } 11-20—{6 cases 3/0 doz. 10 lines kosmos chimney. 14 " 200 doz. 12 " " 6-8, 9, 11 and 13—6 " kosmos and slip Burners. "
On account of the concerned—
S G M—7229-30—6 cases 47 pictures in frames.
On account and at the risk of the defaulting Indentors, Jaffer Nurally and Co—
2865—4 cases pull-down lamps, opal color.

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THIS DAY, FRIDAY, the 26th inst, at 2 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at the above mentioned place—
A quantity of unclaimed articles and lost luggage.

TO-MORROW SATURDAY, the 27th instant, at 1 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at Maria Hill, Mazagon, opposite the Parsee fire temple, the valuable and handsome teak and blackwood French-polished and carved household furniture, plated, glass and crockery ware, handsome China and Japanese vases, rich table ornaments, oleographs and pictures, Brussels carpets, table and hanging keros ne lamps, &c., the property of Captain C. H. BARRON.
Catalogues are published and the property is on view.

TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, the 27th instant, Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, a quantity of grey and colored piece-goods, &c.—
21 cases toilet soap.
Also on account of the underwriters—
A lot of sundry goods, such as paint brushes, lady's handbags, tea spoon cases, sticks, &c., saved from the late fire that took place on the night of the 17th inst.
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BONA-FIDE SALE.

On MONDAY, the 29th inst, at 1 p. m., Messrs. BENNETT & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at the "Cliff," Malabar Hill, the very valuable and handsome blackwood and teakwood plain and carved French-polished household furniture made to order by "Wambridge" and "John Roberts," plated ware, rich glass and crockery ware, 1, 2, 3 and 4 lights hanging gas lamps, handsome 1 and 2 lights wall gas lamps, handsome Persian carpets, handsome brass English four posts bedsteads, handsome China and Japanese vases, rich table ornaments, first-rate picture and oleographs, a collection of choice and rare plants in tubs and pots &c.,&c., the property of ALEX. PALLIS, Esq.
Catalogues are published, and the property is on view.

On WEDNESDAY, the 31st instant, at 1 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at Mount Pleasant Road, Malabar Hill, the valuable and handsome blackwood and teakwood, plain and carved French-polished household furniture, plated ware, glass and crockeryware, firstrate pictures and oleographs, rich table ornaments, handsome China and Japanese vases, table and hanging kerosine lamps, Persian and Brussels carpets, a handsome strong English-built Landaulette by "Offord," London, a handsome strong spider mail-phaeton by "Mulliner," a large collection of choice and rare plants in tubs and pots, &c., &c., the property of Surgeon-Major H. P. YELD.
Also the property of Lieutenant-Colonel Gerald Martin.—
A very rich complete set of glassware for 21 persons, porcelain ware, a pair of handsome strong walers, a handsome strong English-built glass fronted Miniature brougham by Silk & Sons, a strong English built mail phaeton, by Laurie and Marner, handsome strong English-built barouche by Hooper, sets of English made single and double harness, a double barrel C. F. gun in case complete, a single barrel C. F. rifle in case complete, &c., &c.
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We have advised Messrs. WARREN & TULLOCK to submit the whole lot as a trial sale. Every information will be given, and all commission entrusted to our care shall receive our careful and best attention.
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On SUNDAY, the 28th inst, at 1 p.m., Messrs CRAWFORD and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at Pali Hill, Bandora, the valuable and handsome black and teakwood carved and plain drawing, dinning and bedroom furniture, plated ware, glass and crockeryware, sweet-toned ebonised square pianoforte by Richard Lipp and Sons, specially made for India, a first-rate full-sized mahogany slate billiard table by Cox and Yeman, London, with balls, cues and six-lights Hinks lamp complete, lawns, engravings, fancy curtains, etc., the property of E C MOSON, Esq.
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The property of another gentleman—
1 grey galloway, polo pony, and carries a lady and goes in harness.
1 milch cow and 1 goat.

On MONDAY next, the 29th instant, at 3 p.m. Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, by order of the Insurance Office concerned—
The salvage of the shop of Messrs. A. F. Mahomed and Co, tailors, destroyed by fire on the night of the 17th instant.

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On MONDAY, the 29th instant, at 3 p. m., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms—
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On MONDAY, the 29th instant, at 2 p.m .. Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, a quantity of grey, white, and coloured piece-goods and the following:—
1 single barrel B. L. rifle by Alex Henry.
1 double-barrel B. L. gun by Tolley.
5 cases each 100 one lb. tins American butter.
5 " " 100 half lb. tins American butter.
5 " " 20 five lb. tins American butter.
1 case 50 musical clocks.
By order of the Agra Bank, Ld, and on account and at the risk of Abdul Hoosein Nazmoodin, ex s. s. D. Balduino—
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E. M. and Co—99 drums pure blending oil.
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1 case silk border sarries.
3 " " " dhoties.

AT 2 P.M.

1 handsome light victoria.
1 strong serviceable brougham.
1 second-hand mail phaeton.
1 handsome strong lanteau.
And any other carriages and horses which may be offered.

BONA-FIDE SALE.

On TUESDAY, the 30th inst., at 1 p. m., Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at Maria Hill, Mazagon, opposite the Parsee Fire Temple, the valuable and handsome French-polished blackwood and teakwood household furniture, designed and executed to order by the owner himself, best plated ware, rich crockery and glassware, table ornaments, table and hanging lamps, pictures, carpets, &c., the property of F. R. PHILLIPS, Esq.
Catalogues will be published and the property will be on view 4 days before sale.

CRAWFORD & Co.
Bombay, January 26, 1891.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

THURSDAY EVENING, JAN. 25.

REUTER'S London financial telegram of last evening reports a further advance in the market rates of discount, say of ¼ per cent. on short London Bills, and 1/8 on six months' sight Indian Bank Paper, at 2 and 2 3/8 per cent., respectively. Quotations for Consols and Indian Sterling Loan were unchanged yesterday; but 4 per cent. Rupee Securities were 3-16 per cent. lower, at £61 13-16. The price of Bar Silver further advanced ¼d. per oz., to 31d.; but from New York the quotation still comes nominal, with demand Exchange on London unaltered. Coal Freight from Cardiff to Bombay via the Canal was 9d. per ton higher, at 8s. 6d. per ton. French Rentes in Paris declined ¼ per ₹cent. yesterday, to 97¼; Paris Exchange on London was a centime higher, at fcs. 25·19¼.

There were no regular allotments of Indian Council Bills yesterday; but Rs. 30,000 of extra Bills were placed at 1s. 2 13-16d. No announcement is made as to the amount to be offered next week. The Exchange Banks' buying rate on India at 30 days' sight remained at 1s. 2 3-16d.

The quotations for Yellow Guzerat Rapeseed in London yesterday was 38½s. per 416 lbs., sellers, April-May shipment, to Dunkirk, tone of the market quiet; for Yellow Cawnpore Rapeseed, 85 per cent., 37½s. per 416 lbs., sellers, April-May shipment to Antwerp, Dunkirk, and Hamburg, market quiet; and for Linseed, 39½s. per 416 lbs., cif, buyers, April-May shipment to Antwerp, Dunkirk, and Hamburg, market quiet.

The Liverpool Cotton market closed quiet last evening; Surats and Arrivals steady; the day's Sales having aggregated 12,000 bales, including 400 East Indians. All spot quotations were again unshanged; but American Arrivals were 1-64d. lower, the extreme quotations being 4½d. for January-February deliveries, and 4 7-32d. for May-June. The day's Imports were 5,000 bales. The Manchester market was quiet.

In New York, the price of ready Mid.-Uplands advanced 1-16 cent yesterday, to 7 15-16 cents; and April Futures were 13 points higher, at 7·90 cents. The Receipts at the U. S. Ports were 27,000 bales, making this season's figures compare as follows with those of the two previous years for the same time:—

	1894.	1893.	1892.
Wednesday's Receipts	27,000	12,000	14,000
Four days' do. ...	114,000	52,000	87,000
Since 1st Sept. 1893...	4,740,000	3,916,000	5,343,000

Cotton here has been steady in tone to-day at an advance of Re. 1 per candy. Exporters have again been not much in the market, their purchases having aggregated but 550 bales, say 200 bales each of ready new Bengal, at Rs. 160; and Chaliagaum, at Rs. 172½; and 150 Oomrawatee, at Rs. 191; but the Mills have taken 4,925 bales, made up in ready new Cotton, of 2,000 Barsee, at Rs. 195; 800 Julgaum, at Rs. 179-9½; 400 Julgaum, at Rs. 179; 200 each of Chaliagaum, at Rs. 171; and Mowa, at Rs. 200; 175 Akola, at Rs. 190; and 100 Damergaum, at Rs. 194; and in old stuff, 400 Bhownugger, at Rs. 191; 200 each of Mowa, at Rs. 172-9; Compta, at Rs. 172; and Julgaum, at Rs. 152½; and 50 Unjari, at Rs. 172 per candy.

A further fall of rain in the Bengal Cotton circle, say of three-quarters of an inch at Agra, and an inch and-a-half at Delhi, is reported by this morning's telegrams, and it still looked like rain in the former district, but like clearing up in the latter. Advices from the other districts are of the same tenor as Monday's; and it is added that arrivals of Cotton are expected early at Dhollera.

WHEAT has remained steady at previous quotations for all descriptions; but export business remains upon a small scale.

SEEDS have again been taken to a moderate extent in a steady market by shippers. The price of *Linseed* has advanced half an anna per cwt., say to Rs. 7-9-6 to Rs. 7-11-6 per cwt.; but other kinds are unchanged in value.

The receipts of Produce into Bombay yesterday were as follows:—

Cotton	12,473	bales.
Wheat	7,900	cwts.
Linseed	5,636	"
Rapeseed	5,003	"
Gingelly	7,629	"
Poppyseed	1,162	"
Groundnuts	19364	"
Castorseed	3,784	"
Rice	10,272	"

FREIGHTS are steady for near shipment; but a shade weaker for forward loading. No fresh business of importance, however, has transpired to-day.

MONEY.—As might have been expected from the complexion of the two last weekly Returns, and the state of the open market, the Bank of Bombay has this afternoon further advanced its rates of interest and discount by one per cent.; so that the minimum now stands at 6 per cent. per annum.

EXCHANGE opened unsettled at 1s. 2 13-32d. for Bank Telegraphic, and 1s. 2 7-16d. for Demand, at which latter rate a good amount was taken; and Merchants' Bills having been scarce again to-day at the opening quotation at 1s. 2 5-8d. for three months' sight, rates receded 1-32d. all round, at which we have heard of a few Bills coming out. Although there were, as stated above, no regular allotments of Council drafts yesterday, the sale of Rs. 30,000 extra has had the result of making rates give way again. The Bazaar, it is true, seems to be getting short of cash; but the Exchange Banks are well supplied with funds in payment of Silver which is assuring every week, and orders for which metal have, we hear been sent home to-day to the extent of £100,000 at a rate which lays down the Rupee at 1s. 2¼d. and this market closed consequently demoralized as follows:—

Bank Bills on Demand	1s. 2 3/8d.	per rupee.
Do. Telegraphic	1s. 2 11-32d.	"
Do. 3 months' sight	1s. 2 7-16d.	"
Credits do.	1s. 2 9-16d.	"
Francs do.	1·53¼	"

GOVERNMENT PAPER has been weak to-day and rates for Fours have given way 1-16 per cent from the opening quotations, leaving off at 103 3/8 for cash; 103 5-16 for the early February Settlement; and 103¼ for the March Account; with 3¼ per Cents quoted, at closing, at 100⅝.

SHARES.—There has again been a good deal of movement in Cotton Mill and Press shares; and in the former we note an advance of Rs. 15 in Soonderdas; of Rs. 5 in Swadeshi; and of Rs. 2½ in Southern Mahratta; and a decline of Rs. 15 in Khatao Macconji; of Rs. 5 each in Imperial, and Swadeshi; of Rs. 2½ in Morarji Gokuldas; and in the latter, a decline of Rs. 15 in Albert and Sind; of Rs. 7½ in Broach city; of Rs. 5 each in Mofussil, and Munmar; and of Rs. 2½ in English; and an advance of Rs. 30 in Fort; and of Rs. 5 each in Bellary, and Volkart's, at our revised quotations.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

PORT SAID, JAN. 24.

The Hall Line steamer Methley Hall arrived here this morning.

SUEZ, JAN. 24.

The B. I. S. N. Company's steamer Dilwara, outward bound for Calcutta, Madras, and Colombo, left here this afternoon.

The B. I. S. N. Company's steamer Goorkha, homeward bound from Calcutta, Madras, and Colombo, left here this evening.

COLOMBO, JAN. 25.

German mail steamer Gesella, from China, arrived.

The Italian steamer Bisagno, which left Bombay on the 13th instant, arrived at Singapore yesterday.

The M. M. Company's steamer La Seyne left Aden for Bombay, (via Kurrachee) on Wednesday, the 24th instant, at 7 p.m.

The M. M. Company's steamer Amazone left Aden for Zanzibar, on Wednesday, the 24th instant, at 3 p.m.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, JAN. 24.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed quiet. Surats steady.

Good Dhollera	3 11-16
The Manchester Market has been quiet.	
2½ per cent. Consols	98 7/8
3 per cent. Rentes	97¼
3½ per cent. Sterling Loan	103⅝
4 per cent. Rupee Paper	61 13-16.
Bar Silver	31

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

[THE CHARGE OF NOTIFYING A DOMESTIC OCCURRENCE IS TWO RUPEES. THE ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE AUTHENTICATED.]

EUROPE.

BIRTH.

DUNSTERVILLE—January 1, at London, W., the wife o James H. Conrad Dunsterville, of a son.

BOMBAY.

MARRIAGE.

HAMILTON—FERRELL—January 25, at the Cathedral, Bombay, by the Rev. Sidney Leigh Lye, Francis Walter Dougias, (late Duke of Wellington's Regt.), youngest son of the late Capt. Robert Hamilton, 43rd Regt., to Violet Eleanor Jane, youngest daughter of John Burton Ferrell, of Canterbury, Kent, England. (English papers please copy).

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS.

HILTEN.—January 18, at Rawalpindi, the wife of T E Hilten, of a son.
STRANGWAYS—January 14, at Abbottabad, the wife of H Fox Strangways, Esq, of twins, a boy and a girl.

MARRIAGE.

DAVENPORT—POWER—January 17, at the Convent Church, Darjiling, by the Rev Father Schafer, S J, Sydney Davenport, Manager, Teeyok T E, to Winifred Eden, second surviving daughter of Captain and Mrs Maurice Power.

DEATHS.

STRANGWAYS—January 17, at Abbottabad, Harold, the infant son of H Fox Strangways, Esq.
WRIGHT—January 12, at Mominabad, Deccan, Madge, the infant child of Captain and Mrs Wright, 2nd Lancers H C aged 4½ months.

The Bombay Gazette

FRIDAY, JANUARY 26, 1894.

IN the vigorous and comprehensive speech delivered at the Royal Exchange dinner, on Tuesday evening, Lord Lansdowne dealt with the elevation and grasp of a statesman with the many and troublesome problems which confront an Indian Viceroy. Speaking with the fulness of knowledge which comes of personal contact with every department of Imperial administration, he discarded conventional platitudes and rose above the temptation which besets public men when bidding farewell to friends and colleagues, to dwell on their successes and prophesy smooth things for those who come after them. His speech was spoke in a very different key. He dealt with things as they are, and did not hesitate to speak with entire frankness of the weak points in our armour and the dangers which may arise from ignoring them. Covering as it did nearly the whole ground of Indian administration, this remarkable deliverance is a political testament, which will be of great value to his successor and also to the Secretary of State, who, we doubt not, will read it with attention and respect, and, it may be hoped, with profit. Lord Lansdowne, though always measured and courteous in his language, has a gift of lucidity which never leaves his meaning in doubt. Having enumerated the many and unexpected difficulties which have interfered with the operation of the currency legislation of June last—the mass of silver hitherto purchased by the United States Government, now thrown upon the market by the repeal of the Sherman Act, the adoption of a minimum rate for the sale of Council Bills by the Secretary of State, the enormous importations of silver bullion, the apprehension that an import duty might still further embarrass the Home trade, and the notification on Saturday last, that no duty will be imposed, he wound up with a rapier thrust:—"Finally, we have had the abandonment of the minimum at the very moment when all the indications seemed to point to the near approach of an increased demand." Lord Lansdowne acknowledges that the Government of India advised the Secretary of State to support the currency legislation by refusing to sell Council Bills below a certain rate, but he intimated very clearly that in his opinion the experiment has not received a sufficient trial. The Secretary of State in abandoning that policy overruled the Government of India, and acted upon advice coming from some other quarter, of which the general public, at all events, knows nothing. All that we are told is that the Secretary of State has assured the Viceroy that "after taking the best advice obtainable" he came to the conclusion that the time had arrived for the abandonment of the minimum. Who are the advisers whose opinion was preferred by the Secretary of State to that of the Government of India? However that may be the Secretary of State, after taking "the best advice," abandoned the minimum, and let exchange down at the very moment when everything had combined to enable him to command the rate which he had fixed had he taken steps to shut out silver. Lord Lansdowne refuses to believe that failure of the experiment of the minimum implies or involves the failure of the Government policy. "Our policy remains what it was, and there is no intention of changing it." We commend this emphatic declaration to those who are inclined to pay attention to the random statement of the writer in the *Times*, that the Indian mint will be re-opened sooner or later. The Viceroy believes that the policy of June last will produce the desired effect, and that if it does, it will do more for the commerce of India than has been done for it by any enactment of the Legislature for many years past. For one thing it will enable private capital to complete the Indian railway system, and thus give an immense impetus to the development of Indian resources which are now neglected.

The most striking, and in many respects the most important part of the Viceroy's speech was that which dealt with the internal affairs of India. In his opinion there never was a time when their condition called more urgently for watchful care. The efforts made to spread education have engendered the restlessness "which comes of superficial and imperfect knowledge." This declaration will be regarded in many quarters as rank blasphemy. It certainly will provoke the retort that the education which has produced this deplorable result is Western Education, which has been conferred and may even be said imposed by the Government itself. If the system conduce to superficiality and unrest, the inference can scarcely be resisted that it is not adapted to the needs of the population for whose advantage it has been imported. It might not be amiss to institute an enquiry as to whether the higher education, which can alone be intended, is adapted to the needs and traditions of the classes which come under its influence. Lord Lansdowne looking round sees vague aspirations and ambitions fomenting among the educated classes, while the uneducated ryots, who are the basis and the strength of the whole social system, have been led by the increased security of tenure they now enjoy to sink into debt. Formerly, the difficulty of intercommunication between the different parts of the country prevented waves of excitement from spreading rapidly from province to province. Roads and railways have effaced distances, and excitement now spreads rapidly from place to place. Amongst all classes there is a growing tendency to question authority. A country which is Eastern to the marrow of its bones is subjected to standards of treatment which are essentially European and Western, with the result that new difficulties and new problems are continually arising. In Lord Lansdowne's view all that can be done, when strong doses of Western nostrums are poured down Indian throats, is to protest as strongly as we can.

But there is still another danger, which in Lord Lansdowne's opinion is perhaps the greatest of all—the undoubted tendency to transfer power from the Government of India to the British Parliament. A declaration that touched a responsive chord and elicited loud cheers. The Viceroy sees no escape from this difficulty; the authority of the House of Commons has to be reckoned with by the Government of India and the Secretary of State alike. But he holds that the continual exercise of Parliamentary powers at the instance of irresponsible persons constitutes a grave menace to the safety of the Empire. No competent observer who notes the tendency of things will venture to say that this danger is at all exaggerated; it is very real. One little knot of enthusiasts can bring into question the habits of a population of three hundred millions and without giving the matter a second thought propose to establish a system of intolerable interference in the customs and habits of the people, sweep away six crores of revenue, disorganize and destroy the commerce with the Farther East, and incidentally reduce the strength of the Army, and discontinue the fortification of the frontier. The same little knot of busybodies spring a motion on a tired House and pass a resolution which seriously cripples the strength of the Army. Where is all this to end? Lord Lansdowne spoke out with an energy and decision rare in official utterances. "The tendency of the Legislature, to usurp the functions of Executive Government," said his Lordship, "is one of the most dangerous tendencies of the present age. It is specially dangerous when the subject of those usurpations is the Government of such a dependency of the Crown as the Indian Empire, and when the policy of the body, which is admittedly a body of experts, is liable at any moment to be thwarted and set aside by another body, which must, in the nature of things, be deficient in expert knowledge, and which, in recent years, has shown a constantly increasing tendency to be swayed by emotion and enthusiasm." What will the offenders plead to this vigorous indictment?

IN the Central Provinces there are seventeen District Councils and fifty-three Local Boards, and these have roughly twelve hundred members. The representation can scarcely help to give satisfaction to the Natives, seeing that of this total the officials and Europeans and Eurasians combined only number a hundred and forty-five. This is but a leavening lump, and considering the attendances of members at meetings, it is rather to be regretted it is not greater on all councils and boards. Last year, only four hundred and sixty-one meetings were held, though five hundred and ninety-four were called. Thus it happened that no less than a hundred and thirty-three, more than one in four, could not be held for want of a quorum. Bilaspur is most notorious in this respect, since out of a total of twelve meetings called only four were actually held; and in many other districts, though the requisite number of meetings was called, they were not held. The Chief Commissioner, in commenting on these facts, observes that the percentage of attendance at both Council and Board meetings would undoubtedly show considerably better if it were not for certain individual members, who either do not attend any meeting at all, or only one or two meetings in the course of the year. Steps were taken last official year to eliminate members who thus failed in their duties by declaring their seats vacant, but notwithstanding this, remarks the Chief Commissioner, the fact remains that the attendance is very far short of what it should be. At the same time he admits that regularity of attendance is not the sole criterion of the efficiency or usefulness of members. But efficiency secured, it is desirable that the possessors of this qualification should be available whenever wanted, and an interesting experiment is being made in Nagpur with a view to obtaining this desideratum. Certain roads, schools, and pounds are allotted to the special charge of individual members, and so do away with centralisation to some extent. The Commissioner of that district gives it as his opinion that those who take the trouble to attend meetings will take the trouble to look after works submitted to their charge. Then, while the Commissioner of Jubbulpur is in favour of the plan of giving Local Board members a certain amount of independence in order to increase their interest in local affairs, he of Chattisgarh ascribes that want of interest taken by members to a corresponding want of interest on the part of the local officers, whom he urges to the display of a livelier concern in the execution of local works. Then, the Commissioner of Jubbulpur holds that a large proportion of the official element both on boards and councils would result in improved administration. In the multitude of counsellors there is wisdom. The Chief Commissioner says that it is a matter of regret, but hardly of disappointment, that the Councils and Boards do not take that active and lively interest in their duties that they might fittingly exhibit. It takes time, he adds, to infuse this form of public spirit and public effort into a people, and in the meantime it is indispensable that the constitution of the Boards should include some officials of the State. In any case, the District Officer can, and ought to wield a large and wholesome influence. He is the practised pilot of a crew that is in somewhat unfamiliar waters. If, as the Commissioner of Chattisgarh remarks, he shows to the members that he has a strong personal interest and sympathy in them and in the works which they undertake and supervise, he will find a ready response on their part and a consequent rise in the standard of efficiency they impose upon themselves, to the advantage of the district. The Chief Commissioner approves the plan of allotting specific work to particular members, seeing, that what is every man's business is no man's business. How to inculcate a lively interest in local works has long puzzled those interested in the acclimatisation of local self-government in this country. If the Central Provinces administration solve the problem, they will have achieved something.

THE Chinese differ from the natives of this country in one marked particular. Both revere their parents and believe that their ancestors can in some direct or indirect manner influence their future welfare; but, while the Hindus make as much ceremony as possible over the death of a parent, the Chinese very frequently seek to conceal it. But, it must be remembered that, when the Chinaman mourns he loses money, whilst no one is sufficiently hard-hearted to cut a Hindu's pay when he is away for the purpose of burying a mother or father Perhaps, he would lose fewer relatives if there were more systematic stoppages of pay. A case which illustrates the Chinaman's disadvantages in this respect is reported in the Peking official *Gazette*. Fu Yun, as officer bearing the brevet rank of Board President and Governor of Shanting, sends to his Sovereign a special memorial in which he denounces a district magistrate for trying to conceal the death of a parent. To have announced it would have necessitated his retirement into private life and mourning. According to the etiquette of official life in China any officer who receives news from his family concerning the death of a parent or parents should at once report that fact to his superiors, nor is he allowed to make any delay in doing so. Wang Tso-tsai, the district magistrate of Ssushuihsiem, it is reported on the authority of two of his subordinates, received a letter from his native town, some time ago, to the effect that his mother was dead. Instead of reporting the occurrence at once to his superiors, Wang first delayed a long time, without saying anything one way or the other, but at last sent up a petition asking to be temporarily relieved from office, on the ground of ill-health. The subordinates grew suspicious, as their superior was apparently in good health, and their fears were confirmed when they heard rumours that his mother was dead. The magistrate who was appointed to act in Wang's absence made secret investigations, with the result that proof positive of the old lady's death was obtained, and a letter written by Wang to a friend being intercepted conveying the sad tidings news, the unfortunate official was brought to book. The petitioners ask that the Provincial Treasurer and Judge recommend the punishment of the magistrate. As it is the law to cashier any official who has broken this rule without mercy, and as Wang attempted under a frivolus pretext to conceal the death of his mother, "forgetting filial piety and hankering after official life which is in very truth a distinct violation of our Confucianist creed," the Shanting Governor requests the immediate cashiering of Wang, stripping him of his entire rank and also that he be dismissed the public service for ever. The Imperial rescript runs, "Granted, let the Board of Civil Appointments take note." There is very little fear of any native of this country suffering in this way. The Governmen is far toosympathetic and generous to interfere with the pay or leave of its subordinates and fine them for "filial piety."

YESTERDAY exchange, which stood at 1s. 2 13-32d. until noon fell one-thirty-second before 2 p.m., and closed at 1s. 2 11-32d. The Secretary of State who refused tenders on Wednesday, at 1s. 2 3-8d. allowed himself to be tempted by an advance of one-thirty second for the trifling amount of Rs. 30,000. The immediate cause of the decline yesterday was the receipt of telegrams from Calcutta stating that exchange was weak in that market. Firm offers were sent to London from Bombay in the course of the day for silver to the amount of £100,000. The price of bullion has risen to 89½, which would be equivalent to the rupee at 1s. 2¼d. Orders for £60,000 sent on Wednesday were declined by the Banks, which evidently expected a rise. There is every reason to believe that silver imports will continue until sooner or later a duty is imposed. The villagers up-country are eager to buy silver at a somewhat reduced price, having no idea that it can no longer be converted into rupees at a merely nominal charge.

THE Bank of Bombay has yesterday raised its rate of interest on demand loans on Government Paper to 6 per cent.

THE Right Rev. Bishop L. G. Mylne, M.A., D.D., has been granted by the Government eight months' leave, on medical certificate.

MR. P. R. CADELL, I.C.S., has been appointed to act as First Class Assistant Collector of Salt Revenue, during the absence of Mr. R. Thom, or pending further orders.

THE services of Surgeon-Captain J. L. T. Jones have been replaced at the disposal of the Government in the Military Department.

SURGEON-LIEUTENANT-COLONEL M. L. BARTHOLOMEUSZ, M.B., C.M., has been allowed furlough in India, on medical certificate, for one month.

MR. G. O. W. DUNN has been appointed to act as Under-Secretary to Government in the Public Works Department, during the absence of Mr. C. T. Burke, on furlough, or until further orders.

MR. H. O. M. PHILIPS is temporarily appointed to act as Executive Engineer, Ahmednagar, vice Mr. Dunn, or until further orders.

AT the adjourned meeting of the Municipal Corporation, yesterday afternoon, a committee was, after considerable discussion, appointed to consider the projects put forward by the Municipal Commissioner for the improvement of the zoological collection at the Victoria Gardens. Upon the recommendation of the Standing Committee, an additional grant of Rs. 30,000 was made for law charges up to the end of the current year. The recommendation of the Committee was accompanied by an expression of regret "that the solicitors' bill were allowed to stand over beyond the budget period."

YESTERDAY Mr. Cooper, Chief Presidency Magistrate, resumed the hearing of the case in which John Joseph Da Silva, late chief cashier in the firm of Messrs. W. and A. Graham and Company, and also late proprietor of the Bombay Circulating Library, stands charged with criminal breach of trust and theft in respect of about Rs. 37,000, belonging to the firm. Mr. Kirkpatrick, who appeared for the pr

TELEGRAMS.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

SIR GERALD PORTAL'S CONDITION.

LONDON, JAN. 25.

Sir Gerald Portal has had a relapse, and his condition is now of the gravest nature.

THE EGYPTIAN INCIDENT.

France is not supporting the Khedive in his recent ill-advised criticisms on the Egyptian Frontier Force, but is rather advising his Highness to use moderation.

The *Times*, in an article on the Egyptian incident, believes that the Khedive acted, as he did, through petulance, but afterwards regretted it.

Nevertheless, the article adds, Lord Cromer's duty is to adequately impress the Khedive that he cannot be permitted to strike a blow at the Egyptian Army, which is the ultimate guarantee for order and prosperity in Egypt.

CAPTURE OF TIMBUCTOO.

Advices from the West Coast of Africa state that a French Column has entered Timbuctoo without firing a shot.

SIR W. V. HARCOURT AT DERBY.

Sir W. V. Harcourt, speaking at Derby, yesterday, said the time was approaching for trying the question as to whether the Lords or Commons was to prevail, and that in his opinion the issue would be certain.

PRINCE BISMARCK'S VISIT TO BERLIN.

BERLIN, JAN. 24.

Great preparations are being made to give Prince Bismarck a fitting welcome on his arrival here, on Friday next.

His Excellency will be the guest of the Emperor at the Castle.

THE EGYPTIAN CRISIS.

CAIRO, JAN. 24.

Lord Rosebery has instructed Lord Cromer to request the Khedive to publicly praise the troops he lately criticized and dismiss Maher Pacha, the Native Under-Secretary for War.

The Khedive up to the present has declined to comply with Lord Cromer's request, and has summoned Riaz Pacha to meet him at Assiout.

His Highness arrives here on Saturday.

THE MAILS.

SUEZ, JAN. 25.

The s. s. Oriental, with the outward English mails of the 19th instant, left here at noon to-day for Bombay.

THE BURMO-CHINESE FRONTIER.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, JAN. 25.

There is every reason to believe that the negotiations for the settlement of the Burmo-Chinese Frontier will shortly be brought to a satisfactory conclusion.

THE 23RD PIONEERS.

The 23rd Pioneers have not yet left Chilas for Gilgit, their work in the new defensive position not having been quite completed.

A PUNITIVE EXPEDITION TO THE KACHINS.

RANGOON, JAN. 25.

There are now at Hona 350 men and seven British officers, a force which is thought sufficiently strong to crush the Kachins who took part in the recent outbreak and punish the villages concerned. An important step has been taken towards bringing under our control the wild tribes, inhabiting the country lying between the Toungoo district on the west of Karenni and the States on the north and east, and the Salween districts on the south. This extensive little known district is peopled by the Bres, Wadaungs, and Vivas, who at present are practically uncontrolled and occasionally raid our villages.

In the course of his tour Mr. Carter will call to account the Bre village of Hao for raiding two months ago, and the Toungoo village of Lokadashe Hao will be fined and warned.

OBITUARY.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, JAN. 25.

Mr. Thomas Greenhill, of Messrs. Cook and Co. died last night.

THE LANSDOWNE MEMORIAL FUND.

The Lansdowne Memorial Fund now reaches seventy thousand rupees.

ADDRESSES TO LORD LANSDOWNE.

Three addresses were yesterday presented to Lord Lansdowne—by the Mahomedan Literary Society, the Oudh Talukdars, and the Sikh Khalsas.

CIRCULAR REGULATING COW-KILLING IN BENGAL.

Much stir and uneasiness have been caused among the Mahomedans by the recent circular of the Bengal Government regulating cow-killing. The Mahomedans think this to be an interference with their religious rights and ceremonies.

The leaders of the community at Calcutta and on the mofussil, yesterday, had a conference with the Lieutenant-Governor at the Belvedere.

Sir Charles Elliott allayed the fears of the community and promised to re-consider the circular.

Last evening a large meeting of the same leaders was held, at Moulvi Seraj-ul-Islam's house, where speeches were made expressing fears as to the action of the circular and resenting Government interference. The chairman explained that their fears were groundless, as Sir Charles Elliott promised to re-consider the circular. The matter has caused intense exitement among the Mahomedans.

ARRIVAL OF THE VICEROY-ELECT AT CALCUTTA.

Lord and Lady Elgin and daughters arrived in due time, and were received at the station by the Military Secretary. Guards-of-honor were furnished at the station by the Railway Volunteers and the Native Infantry. The line of route from the station to Government House were lined with troops, European and Native. The Calcutta Light Horse escorted him to Government House. Crowds of spectators were to be seen all along the route. At Government House the Calcutta Volunteers and the Rifle Brigade furnished two guards-of-honor. All the Military and Civil Officers of Government were present with a large concourse of European and Native notabilities, including several Native Chiefs. The Viceroy-elect was received here by Sir Carles Elliot and at the top of the staircase by Lord Lansdowne, who introduced him to the officials present at the old court-house. The streets were decorated, and the ships looked gay with bunting.

Lord Elgin takes oaths of his office at 8-30, on Saturday, Lord Lansdowne embarking at 9-15, the same day.

THE SUFFRAGAN SEE OF TINNEVELLY.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, JAN. 25.

Advantage was taken of the visit of the Metropolitan by the Bishop of Madras to discuss the question of the Bishopric of Tinnevelly with the result that a *modus vivendi* has been arrived at. The Metropolitan agrees with the Bishop of Madras that it was impossible for him to surrender any part of his diocese without an Act of Parliament; but has suggested means by which the Bishop of Tinnevelly could be left unfettered and practically as free as the Bishop of Chota Nagpur. The appointment of the suffragan Bishop of Tinnevelly is now probable.

POONA GYMKHANA RACES.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, JAN. 25.

The second day's racing came off this afternoon. Three handicaps only appeared on the card, the fourth race was made up on the Stand. The racing was very good, the last race, the Consultation Stakes, had a most exciting finish. Distance, 800 yards. Saracen started in the second race at 10 to 1, and surprised everybody by an easy victory.

1ST RACE.—"2nd Class Pony Handicap." Half mile

Mr Benwell's b a p Tomtit, 11st, Owner	1
Mr Baldwin's ch ob m Topsy, 9st 7lb, Owner	2
Mr Riddell's ch ob p Sheridan, 9st 2lb, Owner	3
Mr Mason's g ob m Tinsel, 10st 3lb, Native	0
Mr Benwell's gr a p Chaban, 9st	0

No time was taken.

Betting: Evens on Topsy; and 3 to 2 against Tomtit.

2ND RACE.—"1st Class Pony Handicap." 5 furlongs.

Mr Henderson's ch a p Saracen, 10st 4lb, Owner	1
Capt Upperton's b a p Bashan, 10st 10lb, Owner	2
Capt Upperton's b a p Nepean, 10st 8lb	3
Aga Z Shah's g a p GG, 11st. 5lb	0
Mr Bond's b ob m Kitty, 9st 12lb, Capt Welman	0

Captain Ross rode G. G., a bay Arab pony. A native rode Nepean, and won easily by six lengths in 1 min. and 11 secs.

3RD RACE.—"Horse Handicap." 5 furlongs.

Mr Blundell's Kilballysmash, 12st 9lb, Owner	1
Aga Z Shah's Hydery, 9st 10lb, Capt Welman	2
Mr Benwell's Gipsy, 12st, Owner	3
Mr Purvis's Blue Rock, 11st 9lb	0
Mr Crawford's Ormonde, 10st 9lb	0
Capt Upperton's Punch, 9st, Owner	0
Mr Henderson's Saladin, 8st 7lb, Native	0
Mr Fenn's Bag-o'-Tricks, 8st, Native	0

Owner rode Bluerock, Captain Welman rode Ormonde, Captain Rosa Hydery, and a native Punch. The race was won by 4 lengths. Time, 1 min. and 10 secs. Ormonde behaved badly at the post, and had to be led away to the paddock.

4TH RACE.—"Consolation Handicap." To be published on the course.

Mr Bond's Kitty, 9st 11lb, Welman	1
Mr Upperton's Bashan, 11st 2lb, Owner	2
H H Zenghishah's G G, 10st 11lb, Ross	3
Mr Riddell's Sheridan, 8st 7lb, Native	0
Mr Ellwood's Knockout, 8st, Native	0

A grand finish between Bashan and Kitty; the latter won by a head. Time, 51 secs.

Betting: Evens on Kitty; and 3 to 2 against Bashan.

THE PRABHAS-PATAN RIOTS.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.

JANAGAD, JAN. 25.

Mr. Branson argued that Section 149 of the Indian Penal Code was not made applicable to Janagadh by the Circular of 1835. The public Prosecutor replied that the Court held the section as applied. Mr. Branson objected to the accused No. 60, who was charged only with cutting a pipal tree, near the Nahna Gate, being tried with the other accused. The public prosecutor not opposing, the court ordered that he should be tried separately. Charges were amended, and they were read out to the accused. They pleaded not guilty. The public prosecutor opened the case. The judges go to-morrow to Patan for a local inspection. The case was adjourned to Sunday at 12 o'clock.

THE ORPHEAN DRAMATIC CLUB.

THE creditable way in which "The Last of the Pigtails" was presented at the Novelty Theatre last night by the members of the Orphean Dramatic Club should ensure for them a full house on the occasion of its reproduction this evening, when his Excellency the Governor and Lady Harris will be present. Last night the String Band of the 5th Bombay Light Infantry supplied the orchestral music, and during an interval Miss Pedraza delighted the assembly with a cleverly-executed violin selection from Alard's "Il Trovatore" with pianoforte accompaniment by Miss Flower. The familiar but none the less popular farce "Chiselling" preceded the *pièce de resistance*. Mr. A. E. Bice (the business manager) took the part of Larkspur, the sculptor; Mr. A. W. Wise, made a most entertaining man-servant to Larkspur and erstwhile statue of Alexander the Great. Mr. J. Reed acted well as Dr. Stonecrop, his get-up being particularly good. Mr. W. L. Shaw was quite at home in the part of Mrs. Piper, a landlady of inquisitive proclivities, and Miss Savage acquitted herself with graceful ease as Dr. Stonecrop's niece, Kate. The "Last of the Pigtails" is a capital comedy, and received good treatment last night at the hands of the *dramatis personæ*. Mr. W. L. Shaw took the character of the intensely conservative baronet, Sir Noah Starchington, and had in Mr. J. P. Mackeson, as Doddles, an old retainer, equally averse to change. The selection of Mr. Bice for the delineation of Mr. Swellington, "a Gent of the new school," was a happy one, as the part suited him admirably. Mrs. Cruickshank made a charming Lady Starchington, and Miss Thorburn is to be congratulated upon the way in which she sustained the *role* of Mrs. Swellington. Mr. Bice ably impersonated the house-keeper in the Starchington family, whilst Miss Flower and Miss Trousdell entered thoroughly well into the spirit of the comedy as housemaids in the same service. The main incidents of the play have already been set forth in these columns, and all that remains to be said is to express a hope that a larger audience may be present at the Novelty to-night, as both the Orphean Club and the cause to which the proceeds are to be devoted (the St. George's Hospital Nursing Fund) are worthy of every encouragement.

DEPARTURE OF H. M. TROOPSHIP MALABAR.

HER MAJESTY'S Troopship Malabar, under the command of Captain O. P. Tudor, will sail to-day for Portsmouth, with the 2nd Battalion, Royal West Surrey Regiment and details, consisting of 37 officers, 14 ladies, 9 children, 1210 men, rank and file, 37 women, and 60 children. The Malabar calls at Aden on her way home, and disembarks there 2nd Lieut. E. W S. Brook, 54 men, 2 women, and a child, and she embarks about 35 invalids for England. The following are the names of officers:—

Lieut-Col C E Ilderton, R West Surrey	Lieut L M Crofts, R W Surrey
Lieut-Col and Mrs C H S Kennedy, Wiltshire Regt	Lieut K D Bell, R A
Surg-Lieut-Col and Mrs W J Fawcett, Med Staff	Lieut H E Cotterill, R W Surrey
Maj and Mrs W C James and child, 16th Lanc	Lieut R G Moriarty, R W Surrey
Maj A H Nourse, R West Surrey	Lieut T M Young, 16th Lanc
Maj J M Evetts, Scottish Rifles	Lieut E Bagnell, Purefoy 10th Lanc
Maj A Eardley-Wiltmot, R A	Lieut A D Raitt, R W Surrey
Capt H B Fowler, R West Surrey	Lieut H M Biddulph, Rifle Brigade
Capt and Mrs W S Burrell and 3 children, R W Surrey	Lieut W M Hall, West Yorks Regt
Sur-Capt and Mrs J Donaldson, Med Staff	Lieut F F Boyd, R West Surrey
Surg-Capt and Mrs G H Barefoot and child, Med Staff	Lieut G H Neale, R West Surrey
Capt F J. Pink, R West Surrey	2nd Lieut M G E Woodmass, 19th Hussars
Capt V Isham, Suffolk Regt	2nd Lieut H W Smith, R West Surrey
Capt A W Taylor, R W Surrey	Lieut C E A Jourdain, North Lanc
Capt A B Z Darrah, R W Surrey	Mr Moir, I C Service
Capt M C Coles, R W Surrey	Wife of Capt J G Ramsay, Dist Staff
Lieut H W Cowper, R W Surrey	Sister of Capt J G Ramsay, Dist Staff
Lieut D Warren, R W Surrey	Wife of Capt L w Shakespeare and child, I S Corps
Lieut M H Courtney, R A	Sister-in-law of Bt-Maj W J H Bond, I S Corps
Lieut G G Whiffin, R W Surrey	Wife of Surg Capt G F M Ewens, I M S
Qr-Mr J S Dyke, R W Surrey	Wife of Capt G Browne and child, Border Regt
Lieut and Mrs R W C Keayst and child, I S Corps	Sister of Lieut R G Moriarty, R Irish Regt

TELEGRAPHIC LINE REPORT.

JANUARY 25.

STATE OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATION.

GREAT BRITAIN.—Via Teheran, perfect. Via Turkey, interrupted. Via Suez, perfect.

CONTINENT OF EUROPE.—Via Teheran, perfect. Via Turkey, interrupted. Via Suez, perfect.

AMERICA.—Via Brest, perfect. Via Valentia, perfect. Via Direct Cable, perfect.

AUSTRALIA.—Via Penang, perfect. Via Amoor, perfect.

CHINA.—Via Penang, perfect. Via Amoor, perfect.

AFRICA.—Via Aden, perfect. Via Cadiz-Teneriffe, perfect. Via Lisbon St. Vincent, perfect.

Telegrams in plain language may be accepted for Brasil.

Traffic for French Guiana should only be accepted via North America, during interruption of the Cayenne-Vizen cable.

Telegrams in secret language for Sicily cannot be accepted.

Turkish route interrupted beyond Bushire.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LORD LANSDOWNE has become Honorary Member of the Calcutta Chamber of Commerce. He is the first Viceroy who has thus directly associated himself with the leaders of the mercantile community in the capital.

LORD ELGIN will be sworn in as Viceroy on Saturday morning; Lord Lansdowne leaving an hour afterwards.

IN disposing of an appeal to the High Court, in the case of Imperatrix *vs.* Jethmal Narayen, Mr. Justice Jardine and Mr. Justice Ranade made clear an essential principle of law, which is sometimes lost sight of in this country. The accused, a Marwaree money-lender and cloth-seller of Belapur, was charged before Mr. S. Hammick, Sessions Judge of Ahmednagar, with culpable homicide not amounting to murder, in causing the death of his daughter Janki, about seventen or eighteen years of age, whom he was said to have struck with a stick on the left side, breaking one rib and fracturing her spleen. He had living with him, besides Janki, a younger son and daughter and a Brahman woman, who was his cook and mistress. As the death was sudden and suspicious, the police arrested the funeral procession, and found external marks of violence on the body. Jethmal was thereupon charged with having caused his daughter's death, and it transpired that, on the night of his arrest, he attempted to bribe the police to let the matter drop. When asked in the Session Court, to explain the fracture of the rib and rupture of the spleen, he said that Janki complained that she had been beaten by the Brahman woman. The Sessions Judge was of opinion that the accused being the head, and the only male adult member of the household, was bound, if he could, to explain Janki's death; and that if he failed to do so, he could not complain if he himself was held responsible. Mr. Hammick came to the conclusion that the violence which caused Janki's death was the act of the accused, who was convicted and sentenced to rigorous imprisonment for five years. Their Lordships reversed the conviction and sentence, remarking that the Sessions Judge, differing from the assessors, held on the probabilities that it was more likely that the prisoner rather than his mistress inflicted the injuries in question. He had not come to any conclusion that the guilt of the accused was established beyond any reasonable doubt. The prisoner, their Lordship remarked, was not to be convicted, because he had not tried to explain to the court how the death occurred, or by whose means; and that a prisoner on his trial is merely on the defensive, and owes no duty to any one but himself. Their lordships thought there was reasonable doubt that the prisoner inflicted the injuries; and he was, therefore, ordered to be set at liberty.

THE Kachin outbreak to the south-east of Bhamo was quite unexpected locally, as the tribesmen have shown no signs of hostility lately. The military police escorting the Assistant Commissioner had to entrench themselves at Hona after a second attack, pending the arrival of reinforcements. These have been sent from Bhamo, and a column will probably be formed if the rising be found to be widespread.

IT appears that an unusually large crop of indigo was obtained last year in the Punjab. The area cultivated is estimated at over 110,000 acres, an increase of 70 per cent. over the previous year, and the amount of dye obtained at 817,000 seers, an increase of about 60 per cent. Statistics of the Punjab indigo crop are available only for the past three years; and we have, therefore, no exact information concerning the normal outturn. The area under indigo this year is unusually large, and the outturn in dye is estimated at fifteen annas.

THE thirteenth Convocation of the Punjab University was held on Monday in the Government College Hall, Lahore. The Chancellor, Sir Dennis Fitzpatrick, took the chair, with the Vice-Chancellor, the Hon'ble W. H. Rattigan, beside him, and the Fellows of the University on his right and left. There were several distinguished visitors present, among them Sir James Lyall and Mr Wilson, M.P., and His Highness the Nawab of Bahawalpur. After an abstract of the year's report of progress had been read the Vice-Chancellor rose and addressed the Convocation at some length, dwelling especially on the need of making education practical and useful, of encouraging female education, and of promoting industrial and technical education.

MR. J. H. RIVETT-CARNAC, C.I.E, A.-D.-C. to Her Majesty, who was granted an extension of service by the Secretary of State last year, will make over charge of the office of Opium Agent to Mr. F. N. Wright, Commissioner of Allahabad, and retire on the 6th of February. The members of the Opium Department and the Volunteers will entertain Mr. Rivett-Carnac at a farewell banquet at Benares on the 30th inst. Mr. Rivett-Carnac remains in India until the end of the cold weather to carry out the inspection of the Volunteers he has so long commanded. Mr. Rivett-Carnac was the last Haileybury Civilian who ever came out to India, having arrived nearly a year after many of his contemporaries. There are, however, still two of his seniors on the High Court Bench.

ON Monday Bombay was busy welcoming the coming and Calcutta speeding the parting Viceroy. Lord Lansdowne received the address from the Calcutta Commissioners, over which there has been so much unhappy wrangling, and also one from a deputation representing the Central Mahomedan Association and its several branches. At the same time the commercial community, as represented by the Bombay Chamber of Commerce and the Millowners' Association, was busy impressing on Lord Elgin the gravity of the situation: His Excellency in his replies prudently maintaining the attitude of the anxious inquirer. At night Calcutta society bade farewell to Lord and Lady Lansdowne at a ball given in the Town Hall.

THE heavy snowstorm continued at Simla, with a severe gale, all Saturday and Sunday. Quite two feet of snow is lying in many of the roads. A somewhat severe shock of earthquake was felt at a quarter to nine on Sunday night, the shock lasting about five seconds, passing from north-east to south-west.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR, Honorary Colonel of the Madras Volunteer Guards, entertained the officers of the Administrative Volunteer Brigade, and a number of gentlemen interested in the Volunteer movement, at dinner at Government House the other night. Great regret was felt and expressed at the compulsory absence of Brigadier-General T. van Straubenzee, C.B., R.A., Commanding the Madras District, who is at present in camp at Vellichi with the troops of the garrison of Fort St. George and St. Thomas's Mount. The Volunteer Brigade of Madras has never had a firmer friend than General van Straubenzee, and His Excellency exactly gauged the feeling of all present when he made a kindly reference to his unavoidable absence.

THE question of the validity of Mr. Justice Burkitt's appointment as fifth Puisne Judge in the Allahabad High Court came before a Full Bench on Monday. The arguments of the learned counsel, however, had not ended when the Court adjourned.

THE flagship Boadicea and the other ships of the East Indian Squadron, lying in the Hughli, left for Trincomali on Wednesday morning. Admiral Kennedy remains in Calcutta until Saturday, as he proceeds with the Viceroy in the Warren Hastings.

LIKE the Municipalities, some of the great financial concerns in France have the special privilege of instituting lotteries, thinly disguised as drawings, for the repayment of certain of their debenture bonds with substantial premiums. At the recent drawing in connection with the Credit Froncier, M. Thery-Marchand, a gentleman of independent means, residing at Arras, won 100,000 francs with the bond 1,342,861. Superstitious people have not failed to note the fact that at a previous drawing a prize of equal amount fell to a maid-servant living also at Arras, next door to the very house in which M. Thery resides.

THERE is a popular impression, writes the Allahabad paper, that native members only of the enlarged Legislative Councils will care to exercise the right of interpellation; but it is to be hoped that non-official Europeans will not hesitate to put questions when some other purpose can be served than merely to heckle the Government. The exhibitions of bad taste in the Bengal Council especially, with which the enlarged Councils have set out, are not calculated to impress their European members favourably; but it is nevertheless in the public interest to give officials an opportunity of clearing up obscure points or explaining some line of policy misunderstood outside official circles. At the present moment, for instance, everyone is most anxious to know how far the theory that hoarded rupees have been produced by the crore to purchase the cheap silver imported into India, is supported by the Treasury returns; what the import of coined silver into the country has been in the last six months; and how far inland trade statistics will throw light upon the disposal of these coins and bullion—has it gone to British territory or into native States? Again, the interest to be paid on savings banks deposits is to be reduced from April 1st. This has been announced by notification simply, no explanation whatever being given of the reasons for the reduction. Mr. Westland would doubtless be ready enough to say why the change has been ordered, and equally to state why the interest paid on the balance of the Family Service Fund is to be lowered to 3½ per cent. on July 1st. No objection whatever could be taken to questions of this kind by the Government, who, we may be sure, would answer the questions in the spirit in which they are put.

Two female socialist orators were sentenced a few days ago in Vienna—Charlotte Glass to four months' imprisonment, and Amelia Riba to a fortnight's imprisonment. The first made offensive remarks about the Archdukes, the second spoke slightingly of the legislative assembly. Our correspondent adds: Fraulein Glass spoke some time ago with great ability from her point of view at a woman's meeting in the open air, not far from Schonbrunn. She is a comely young woman of twenty, of the Jewish confession, and looked very enthusiastic on that occasion in a sailor hat, her hair blown about her face by the wind. She was apparently so filled with hatred against every man and woman better off than herself that it was easy to see that she could have gone on talking against them for hours. She considered no subject too tough—politics and political economy, the education of women, the army expenses, the Liberal leaders, and the President of the Cabinet. All came in their turn, and she gave it them hot. Amelia Riba is younger still, not much more than seventeen, and by her firmness caused six hundred factory girls to strike for six weeks, by which means they obtained somewhat more humane treatment than twelve hours' work a-day and six shillings a-week wages. I have heard this girl talk very much to the purpose for two hours at a stretch. Both these Socialist women are pretty.

FROM Wesel, Rhenish Prussia, the "Westfalische Rundschau" publishes the following account of the brutal ill-treatment of a soldier. A guardsman, on his return from barracks at Friedrichsfeld to the garrison there, caught cold. The next day he felt very ill. Finding himself in a shivering state, he sat beside the stove in the barrack room. Presently, a non-commissioned officer entered with a jug of icy-cold water. "What!" said he, "you are a 'Lummel' (lubberly fellow). A soldier sitting by the fire!" Then he poured the contents of the jug upon the head of the sick soldier. After this the "Lummel" became dangerously ill, and was ordered into hospital. He lost his speech, and after a day or two the physicians came to the conclusion that he would be dumb. A copy of the journal containing a report of the case was straightway sent to the commanding officer.

SIR BENJAMIN WARD2RICHARDSON is not, we all know, a believer in overwork being so extremely injurious as some suppose it to be. Although no longer young, he himself, as he has informed a representative of "Cassell's Saturday journal," works eighty hours a week. Some one wrote to him recently to ask whether a man ought to work so long, and he had reply that perhaps he would not be a fair judge, as that was precisely his own dose. After fifty-five he thinks perhaps a man might work less than before that age, although he has not found the necessity for this in his own case. In fact, most long-lived men he has met have remained active far beyond that period, and he has definitely come to the conclusion that it is a very bad practice for people nearing sixty to retire. Competitive athletic work of all kinds, according to the same authority, should not be engaged in at too early an age. Sixteen or even eighteen is early enough to begin. On the subject of longevity among politicians, he observed that the cares of the nation are quite different from the cares of individuals, such as doctors have to reckon with, and, moreover, he is of opinion that public speaking is such a healthy exercise, that he has often recommended consumptive people to read aloud, and he is sure they have benefited by the advice.

THE intended shooting party at Sandringham was (says the *World*) abandoned in consequence of the recent illness of the Princess of Wales, which left her very weak and much depressed, and there will be no more guests there this winter. The Princess will go to Osborne on a visit to the Queen, when she leaves Sandringham the week after next; and later on H. R. H. and the Princesses Victoria and Maud will probably proceed to Italy, and to Athens, on a visit to the King and Queen of the Hellenes, remaining abroad until the end of April.

A CURIOUS glimpse of life at the Court of Denmark about the beginning of the last century is furnished by a letter from William Greg, son of our Minister at Copenhagen, which has been found among the Portland papers. Writing from the Danish capital, under date February 28, 1702, he says:—Yesterday about eleven o'clock in the forenoon, the King of Denmark, accompanied by Prince Charles and the Court on horseback, all clad in the same manner, in a "Boor's" dress, went to an anniversary "carousel"—"after the manner of a colony of clowns, called amackers"—who, being of Low Dutch extraction, the King and Court so far honour yearly as to condescend to imitate them in their divertissements and country fare, in order to encourage them to go on improving the soil and natural products of this island, which, I am told, they have done considerably, much beyond the natives. The cavalcade through the city was extremely comical, and indeed the "carousel" was no less so. The King carried the first prize for his dexterity in tilting with a long pole at four cats cooped up in an empty barrel swinging between two posts, till his Majesty knocked out the head and thereby acquired an additional Kingship among his fellow boors for enlarging the poor prisoners. The second prize was for pulling off the head from the goose swinging by the feet in like manner between two posts. The number of Boor-Knights was thirty-four, among whom were the French ambassador and the Prusian envoy.

LONDON government at present costs nearly eleven millions a year, but only 73 per cent. of this sum is met out of the rates; the rest is forthcoming from Imperial taxation and other sources. Put in another way and in the words of the County Council's Committee, the total cost of London government is at the rate of 6s. 10d. in the pound. The ratepayers only paid 5s. of this amount; that is, they actually benefited to the extent of 1s. 10d. in the pound by receipts which did not come out of their pockets for municipal purposes; in other words they were liable to a contingent rate of 6s. 10d. in the pound upon the failure of the items of receipt which relieve the local rates, or in proportion upon the partial failure or lessening of such receipts. The most important item of such reliefs to local rates is the contribution received from Imperial taxation. This consists of a certain apportioned amount from licence duties, probate duties, and beer and spirit duties. It is pointed out in a return of the rating of parishes that the present system inevitably tends to make the poor and populous parishes pay the heaviest differential rates. London is supposed to contribute to the Exchequer about a quarter of its total revenue. It pays about 42 per cent. of the total income tax.

BOMBAY PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY.

THE members of this Society opened their seventh season with a concert in the Town Hall, on Wednesday evening, and the large audience must have regretted, in view of the excellence of the programme, that a commencement was not made earlier in the season, so as to leave room for more appearances than can now possibly be the case. The concert opened with Mendelssohn's "Cornelius March," given on the organ by Mr. R. N. Mant, who did more than justice to a by-no-means graceful overture. Mr. J. J. Whiteley made his first appearance before a Bombay audience in a solo from *Stabat Mater* "Pro Peccatis," and created a favourable impression. Mrs. Collie also entered the lists for the first time in Wolff's violin solo "Romance," which elicited an enthusiastic encore. Manipulating the violin as she does, with the utmost taste and remarkable precision, Mrs. Collie is a decided acquisition to Bombay musical society. Miss Tudball's solo from Handel's *Samson* "Let the bright Seraphim," was sweetly sung with organ accompaniment, whilst Miss Pritchard's piano solo "Liebestraum" (Liszt) and "Si oiseau J'etais" (Henselt) was played with much grace and precision. Owing to indisposition Mr. Chisholm was unable to fulfil the part assigned to him—a solo from Handel's *Acis* "Love in Her Eyes"—and his place was taken by Surgeon-Major Yeld with the stirring air of "Merrie England" "The Archer's Song." The rendition was heartily re-demanded, and it must have been with feelings of no small regret that the audience remembered this was the Surgeon-Major's last appearance before leaving India by the ensuing mail. The first part of the programme concluded with an excellent piece of instrumental music, Andante in B Minor from Mendelssohn, given as a trio by Mrs. Collie, violin; Herr Schmuck, viola; and Miss Schmuck, piano. The second part of the programme consisted of Mendelssohn's solo and chorus "Come let us sing," and was given in a manner thoroughly worthy of the high reputation the Philharmonic Society has attained. In the absence of Mr. Chisholm the solo parts were taken by Miss Tudball, for whom Lieutenant-Colonel Martin claimed the indulgence of the audience, as she had filled up the gap at a moment's notice. There was, however, no necessity to exercise a lenient judgment, as Miss Tudball acquitted herself with marked success. She gave exquisite musical expression to the beautiful words of the 95th Psalm, and was well supported by the chorus.

MILITARY NEWS.

THE services of Surg.-Capt. J. L. T. Jones, I.M.S., have been replaced at the disposal of the Commander-in-Chief.

CAPT. C. NICHOLSON, of the G. I. P. R. Volunteer Corps, has been promoted to the rank of Honorary Major.

LIEUT. C. S. STACK, Staff Corps, Squadron Officer 3rd Bombay Cavalary, has been granted six months' leave, on private affairs.

THE services of Capt. J. A. Honison Crawfurd, 7th Regiment, Bombay Infantry, have been replaced at the disposal of the Commander-in-Chief.

HONORARY CAAPLAIN BENJAMIN H. SKELTON has been gazetted Captain of the Cadet Company 2nd Battalion of the B. B. & C. I. Railway Volunteer Corps.

LIEUT. C. C. FENNER, Indian Staff Corps, Wing Officer, 6th Punjab Infantry, has been granted leave to proceed out of India for twelve months, on private affairs.

THE tenure of the appointment of Col. V. H. Greig, Royal (late Bombay) Artillery, as Assistant Adjutant-General of the Regiment, has been extended for three months.

DURING the absence of Lieut.-Col. W. S. S. Bisset, C.I.E., R. E., Lieut. Col. H. J. B. Hargrave has been appointed Commandant of the B. B. & C. I. Railway Volunteer Corps.

LIEUT. A. P. SHEWELL, Staff Corps, Quarter-Master, 23rd Regiment (2nd Battalion Rifle Regiment) Bombay Infantry, is granted leave to proceed out of India for twelve months, on private affairs.

COL. T. A. COOKE, British Servant, Assistant Adjutant-General, Army Head-Quarters in India, has been appointed to the District Staff of the Army, with the local and temporary rank of Brigadier-General in India, vice Brigadier-General B. A. Combe, who vacated the command of the Sind District on January 9 last.

IN the first Battalion of the B. B. and C. I. Railway Volunteer Corps, the following promotions are made:—Lieut. C. A. R. Crommelin to be Captain, vice Parker, transferred to the Reserves; Second Lieut. J. M. Templar to be Lieutenant, vice Crommelin, and Douglas Powell, gent., to be Second Lieut., to complete the establishment.

MAJOR T. H. MACKENZIE, Capt. W. A. Thompson, and Capt. L. A. Gordon, all of the Indian Staff Corps, have been permitted by the Secretary of State to return to duty, but an extension of leave for six months, on medical certificate, have been granted to Major H. E. Passey and Lieut. H. G. Benn; an extension of nine month, on private affairs, has been granted to Lieut J. H. Pollard.

A WAY OUT OF THE SILVER DIFFICULTY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—The present exchange imbroglio is too important a public question to need an apology from anyone who may be able to suggest a cure or a palliative. To impose a tax on silver seems the most obvious course, but imagine the expense of an effective guard against illicit importation on the whole of our vast frontier. Independently of the Persian Gulf, Kabul, Cashmere, Thibet, China, Siam, and all the numerous independent ports, there is also the frontier of Portuguese and French Possessions. Spirits and piece-goods need no very elaborate establishment and safeguard, but portable and valuable goods like silver offer a temptation to every coolie to engage in smuggling. On a duty of 20 per cent. even one pound of silver concealed about his person is a serious temptation to such men. There lies the difficulty. My suggestion is, in face of the speculation in silver, which is an unhealthy, and I may say criminal, transaction, as it is based on the sale of the silver above its value to the ignorant rural inhabitants. Government are bound to have it notified by all their district officers in all the remotest towns, villages, and hamlets, that silver being no more a currency is valueless as an unvestment as much so as copper and iron are not available as cash in case of need. This could be explained clearly enough to bring it home to all, and pamphlets or leaflets on the subject may also be issued under the authority of Government Further and most important, Government should inform the public (reversing their policy of former years of buying silver) that they are prepared to sell silver ready from their stock to anyone who may apply for it at the current rate of the day in London. Little inquiry is likely by this step as it will prevent all speculation, specially after a time, and it will make it impossible for speculators to order silver through the Banks, if they can get it *ready*, and at the same price, at once from Government stores. The Banks unable to lay down money in Bombay by means of silver, would thus have to fall back on Council Drafts. For a time Government can well afford to clear part of the reserves in this way, but, of course, if the demand is important, they can replace it on the London market by wire, whenever they please. The financial part of the scheme is no insuperable difficulty, and can easily be worked out by Mr. Westland and our other financial advisers. After a very short time, both these above actions combined would bring the demand to a minimum, but if silver prices are enhanced thereby, Government will get the advantage thereof in the price of Council Drafts.—Yours, &c.,

SILVER GHOST.

A DISCLAIMER.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Let me correct a misapprehension, which is likely to arise from the wording of a circular purporting to be issued by some gentlemen, calling a public meeting to hear R. B. Bhat's views on education. It seems the circular contains ideas never sanctioned by all the signatories. At all events, for myself, I can say, that when I was asked to allow my signature to be put to a circular to be drafted, I was told that the meeting was to be called simply for the purpose of hearing Mr. Bhat's views; and it was never understood that I was to pledge myself to support his candidature. My idea was that it was certainly desirable to give the candidates for Fellowship an opportunity to address the constituency, and I should have been glad if arrangements had been made for hearing the other candidates, Messrs. Kama and Tilak, as well.—Yours, &c.,

High Court, Jan. 25. DAJI ABAJI KHARE.

BOMBAY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION.

AN adjourned meeting of the Corporation was held yesterday afternoon, in the Council Chamber. Dr. Thomas Blaney presided, and there were also present: Messrs. Abdalla M. Dharamsi, Anandrao Narayen Vasudeo, Ardasir Dadabhai Mody, Brigade-Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel S. O'B. Banks, Messrs. Bhaishanker Nanabhai, Bhalchandra Krishna Bhatawadekar, Bomanjee Pestonjee Master, Byramjee Nusserwanjee Serrai, E. B. Carroll, Cowasjee Hormusjee, Cowasji Pestonji, Dr. Dominick A. D'Monte, Mr. Dinsha Edulji Wacha, Rao Saheb Elappa Balaram, Messrs. Fardunji Nasarwanji Bisni, Fazalbhai Jumabhai Lalji, Goolam Hoosein Allana, Govardhandas Goculdas Tejpal, Hasambhai Visram, W. C. Hughes, Hurkisondas Nurrotumdas, Ibrahim Rahimtula, the Hon'ble Mr. Javerilal Umiashankar Yajnik, Messrs. Jaya Karadi Linga, Karsandas Chubildas, K. M. Shroff, Kharsedji Nasarwanji Wadia, Brigade-Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel G. A. Maconachie, Messrs. Mirza Hussein Khan, Mulji Bhawanidas Barbhaya, Nanabhai Navroji Katrak, Nanu Narayen Kothare, Nowroji Jehangir Gamadia, the Hon'ble Mr. R. G. Oxenham, Messrs. Purshotumdas Munguldas Nathubhoy, Rahimtula Khairaz, the Hon'ble Mr. Rahimtula Mohamed Sayani, Messrs. S. Rebsch, G. W. Roughton, Sundernath D. Khote, Tribhowandas Munguldas Nathoobhoy, Tribhowandas Virjiwandas, Vandrawundas Purshotumdas, Dr. Accacio Gabriel Viegas, Mr. R. H. Vincent, and Captain W. P. Walshe.

FINANCIAL MATTERS.

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been sustained unless Section 521 of the Act were capable of bearing the construction evidently intended by the Legislature.

Extract paragraphs 3 and 4 of the opinion of the Advocate-General, dated 2nd September, 1893.

3. I think there is some doubt as to the effect of section 521 as it stands at present, but the same wording has been adopted in many other Acts, including the Calcutta and Madras Municipal Acts, and it has never yet been judicially decided that the section, as at present worded, is not sufficient to carry out what the Legislature intended. 4. I think there is no urgent need for legislation on the subject, and that it will be sufficient to legislate if it is ever judicially decided that section 521 or any of the similar sections in other enactments have not the effect which the Legislature intended.

Extract paragraph 1 of the letter from the Government of India, dated 10th August, 1893 (with the omission of the last sentence).

In continuation of the telegram from this Department, No. 956, dated the 4th instant, on the subject of the proposed amendment of Section 521 of the City of Bombay Municipal Act, 1888, I am directed to say that neither your letter No. 247, dated the 19th ultimo, nor the statement of Objects and Reasons annexed to the draft Bill forwarded therewith, explains why Section 521 of Bombay Act III of 1888, as it stands at present, is considered to be insufficient. I am to point out that the section in question is practically identical with the provisions of the Calcutta and Madras Municipal Acts, as contained in Section 51 of Bengal Act II of 1888, and Section 56 of Madras Act I of 1884; no proposal has been made to amend either of these Sections.

Mr. Chubildas moved that the reply of the Government be recorded, remarking that was the only thing that could be done.

Dr. Katrak seconded the proposal which was agreed to.

PROPOSED BURIAL-GROUND FOR MAHOMEDANS AND BENI-ISRAELS.

The Committee appointed to consider the proposed improvement of Warl Bunder Road and providing burying ground for Mahomedans and Beni-Israels submitted their report.

The Hon. Mr. Oxenham proposed that consideration of the item should be postponed until next month. It was a large and important question involving various complicated details, and it was, therefore, undesirable to discuss the subject in the absence of Mr. Cotton, who would be back from England next month.

Dr. Banks thought the proposal of Mr. Oxenham a reasonable one. As a member of the Committee himself, he very much hoped the question would be decided at a meeting when more members were present.

The President: It is to be hoped you will bring the other members next month.

Mr. Wacha, while not objecting to a postponement of the question, thought it would not be a good and safe precedent to follow, that they should wait for the arrival of a member of the Committee, because he happened to go to England. If Mr. Cotton was not able to return to Bombay for the next six months would the Corporation be justified in postponing the question for that period? Seeing that other members of the Committee were quite competent to take up the question there was not sufficient justification for its postponement.

Dr. Machonachie reminded Mr. Wacha that several questions had on previous occasions been deferred because Mr. Mehta or some other member of the Committee was not present. Mr. Wacha never objected to postponement then.

Mr. Wacha said he did not object now, he only pointed out what should be done in certain cases.

The President said that in view of what had fallen from Dr. Banks he thought it due to the Corporation to state that this was not a small meeting. At that moment thirty-one members were present.

The proposition was then put to the meeting and carried.

PROPOSED IMPROVEMENT OF THE ZOOLOGICAL COLLECTION AT THE VICTORIA GARDENS.

The subjoined report on the above subject by the Municipal Commissioner was laid before the Corporation:—

To the Municipal Secretary.

Sir,—I have now the honour to reply to Corporation resolution No. 2622 of 19th June last. I presume the Corporation do not require any detailed description of the zoological collection, which can be obtained for himself by any visitor to the gardens. It may be spoken of generally as being small, not representative either of India or any foreign country, and susceptible of great improvement in the way of arrangement. The object of the resolution, judging by the debate which preceded it, was specific information as to the feasibility and the manner of improving the collection so as to make it a valuable unit in itself, instead of, as it is at present (in spite of great advances in late years), more or less a casual adjunct to the gardens. On the passing of the resolution above referred to, I invoked the assistance of the Natural History Society which was readily given. A committee of the Society was appointed and has from time to time visited the gardens and made a number of valuable suggestions, added to which, I have been in personal communication with Mr. H. M. Phipson, the Secretary of the Society. It was at first my intention, and I so far carried it out, as to address a letter to the Standing Committee, which I afterwards recalled, to apply for sanction to the deputation of the Superintendent of Gardens to Calcutta, Karachi, and Jeypore, where good zoological collections exist, with a view to his collecting such information as might enable me to propose a complete scheme. The Committee of the Natural History Society were, however, of opinion that this step would be premature and that the first thing to be done was to arrange for the better distribution of the existing collection and the erection of a few additional cages for the proper accommodation of animals and birds we already possess, or may without much difficulty obtain. The specific proposals now made have been the subject of much consideration and are the result of a free interchange of opinions. The Corporation are aware that we have received an offer of a couple of lions from H. H. the Nawab of Junagadh, who has also contributed Rs. 2,500 towards a cage for them, the requisite balance, Rs. 2,546, having been sanctioned by the Corporation. We have a number of animals of the larger mammalia class (hyena, wolf, wild-dog, &c.,) which at present are confined in small wooden cages and for which accommodation where they can be better seen and which will be more suitable to their health and habits, is generally admitted to be necessary. It is proposed to erect a cage and enclosure for them, and also the cage for the lions on the site of the present deer enclosure. The large plot of ground lying to the extreme east of the gardens has up to the present been made no use of, and it seems to be eminently suitable for a deer park. The Committe of the Natural History Society inform me that deer of different species should not be kept together in the same enclosure. The ground referred to generally known as the flour mills land is sufficiently large to admit of being broken up into a number of different enclosures and still to afford plenty of space for active animals such as deer. This ground will require drainage and an estimate has been prepared for connecting it with the storm-water drain in Connaught road. The committee of the Natural History Society have drawn attention to the necessity of providing suitable aviaries in a suitable place and an estimate has been prepared accordingly, the place chosen being near the large banian-tree east of the eastern ornamental water. I have been able to procure from Sydney, New South Wales, four kangaroos, which are perhaps the most attractive animals (on account of their rarity) which we possess. I have been obliged for the present to locate them in a portion of ground set apart for the ostriches, but now propose to remove them to the lawn, west and south of the refreshment-room, where they will obtain grass and shade and at the same time be very conspicuous. Estimates have been taken out of the cost of the works which I have referred to and they are as follows:—Storm water drain, Rs. 6,618; enclosure, &c., for kangaroos Rs. 5,873; aviaries, (3) Rs. 4,891; laying out ground to east as a deer enclosure, including roads round and to it, Rs. 35,591; cages and enclosures for hyenas, wolves, wild dogs, badgers, &c., Rs. 12,812, total Rs. 65,785. There are several works of a minor character which it is desirable to carry out. The chawl acquired in 1890 with the flour mills land and used for the accommodation of animal-keepers and mallcs is in a dilapidated condition and must before long be vacted. It is not susceptible of efficient repair except at a cost equal to that of rebuilding it. It is proposed to throw the land it occupies into the new deer park and to erect another chawl for animal-keepers and mallcs elsewhere. It is also proposed to erect a building for the head animal-keeper who undoubtedly ought to live on the spot. He used formerly to do so, but now receives a house allowance of Rs. 25 per mensem and lives elsewhere. The cost of these and other smaller works are given below:—Chawl for 20 animal-keepers and mallies, Rs. 13,800; quarters for head keeper, Rs. 5,000; wall and fence south of the gardens, Rs. 3,578, repairs to moveable cages, Rs. 487; repairs to old permanent cages to be used as a hospital, Rs. 1,656; renewing the bullock stable, Rs. 1,47; repairs to office 500; total, Rs. 26,292. Add—previous amount, Rs.65,785; total, Rs. 92,007. The amount to the credit of the Garden Fund is Rs. 44,773, which leaves a sum of Rs. 47,304 to be provided from the surplus cash balance. The Committee of the Natural History Society consider that a Zoological Superintendent ought to be obtained from Europe as a preliminary to the systematic extension of the collection.—I have, &c.,

H. A. ACWORTH, Commissioner.

Dr. Katrak proposed that a committee be appointed to consider and report on the question of the zoological collection at the Victoria Gardens, consisting of Dr. Banks, Dr. Bhalchandra, Mr. Rebesh, Mr. K. M. Shroff and Mr. Ebrahim Rahimtula, in consultation with the Municipal Commissioner. The Commissioner had supplied them with a long and interesting report, and it was for the Corporation to appoint a committee to consider the same.

Dr. Banks, in seconding the proposition, said that the chief thing he wished to see done was to secure the services of an expert before a single farthing was laid out on the proposed improvements.

Dr. Viegas suggested the addition of the names of Dr. Machonachie and the Hon. Mr. Javerilal to the committee, a proposal to which Dr. Katrak agreed.

The Municipal Commissioner proceeded to explain at some length the desirability of proceeding with the proposed improvements before going to the expense of obtaining an expert from Europe. He suggested that Mr. Mahaluxmeswalla, the Superintendent of the Victoria Gardens, should be deputed to inspect the zoological collections at Calcutta, Karachi and Cawnpore, with a view to carry out at once some of the improvements suggested. He hoped members of the Corporation would do their best to obtain from some of the wealthy inhabitants of the Bombay Presidency some money, in addition to the subscriptions previously given for the purpose, of the proposed improvements.

Mr. Wacha: You are the best man to do that. (Laughter.)

The Commissioner said that the influnce of the Corporation collectively would be greator than his own, seeing that their circle of acquaintance was much larger than his.

Dr. Banks said that to refresh his memory he had written to Mr. Phipson on the subject of the employment of an expect, and he had replied that when the committee met at the Victoria Gardens, the first understanding arrived at was that immediate steps should be taken to obtain the services of a trained man if the Municipality were serious in their desire to make a decent zoological collection in Bombay.

The Commissioner did not see that it was necessary to obtain the services of a trained man before improving the habitations and arrangements of their present stock. These improvements could be at once carried out.

Dr. Cowasjee testified to the ability of Mr. Mahaluxmeswalla, the Superintendent of the Gardens, to visit other zoological collections, as suggested by the Commissioner. He had been in the Government service in the same kind of work at Nagpur, and had obtained very high testimonials from his superior officers.

Mr. Wacha opposed the appointment of a committee. The question before the Corporation being whether they were prepared to expend the money suggested by the Commissioner, the Standing Committee was the proper authority to decide the question. He therefore proposed as an amendment that the question be referred to the Standing Committee.

The amendment was seconded by Mr. Cursondas Chubildass.

Mr. Shroff did not support either the proposition or the amendment, and moved as a further amendment that the Corporation should consider and dispose of the report that day.

The Hon. Mr. Javerilal was of opinion that now that a complete report was before them as well as the opinion of resident experts like Mr. Phipson, the matter might very well be delegated to the Standing Committee.

Dr. Cowasjee supported Mr. Wacha's amendment, remarking that as the question was a financial one, it should be dealt with by the Standing Committee.

Mr. Roughton thought the first thing to be done was to come to a definite decision as to whether they would extend the Gardens as suggested in the report. This being done, the matter should be left in the hands of the Committee nominated by Dr. Katrak rather than those of the Standing Committee, whose part in the matter would be that they would be subsequently asked to make provision for the improvements proposed.

Mr. Carroll also advocated the adoption of the usual course—the appointment of a committee to discuss the details of the question.

Dr. Viegas supported the original motion, remarking that the more light they had thrown on the subject the better.

Mr. Shroff said under the circumstances he would ask leave to withdraw his amendment.

Leave having been accordingly given, Mr. Wacha's amendment was put to the meeting and lost, and Dr. Katrak's proposition was carried by a large majority.

A HEAVY BILL FOR LAW CHARGES.

The next business was the consideration of a letter, dated 2nd December, 1893, from the Commissioner, requesting sanction to an additional grant of Rs. 30,000 on account of law charges outstanding at the end of the financial year. In forwarding the letter, the Standing Committee accompanied it with the following resolution: "That the Commitee regret that the solicitors' bills were allowed to stand over beyond the budget period.

Mr. Wacha said that the additional law charges having already been incurred, they would have to pay them through their nose—(laughter)—although they were increased without the sanction of the Corporation. The Standing Committee should see that the executive officers of the Corporation did not harass the ratepayers by instituting groundless complaints against unfortunate persons in the Court. It was the practice of municipal solicitors to advise all sorts of prosecutions in order to fill their own pockets.

Mr. Bhaishanker considered the remark very uncalled for.

Mr. Wacha: It is human nature for people to try to get as much money into their pockets as possible.

The President said he considered that remark was one which ought not to be made.

Mr. Wacha: Well then, if that is your opinion, Sir, I will say that the municipal solicitors always give their best advice and they have no ambition to pocket our money. (Laughter.)

Mr. Bhaishanker testified to the care and caution shown by the executive not to institute proceedings needlessly.

Mr. Roughton also strongly condemned the imputation that legal proceedings were unnecessarily incurred, and said it was impossible to estimate with exactitude from year to year the amount which would be required for law charges.

Mr. Nanu Narayen Kothare replying to certain observations made by a member, that in certain cases some of the pleaders in the Small Causes Court appeared for their clients for four or five rupees, including the commission paid to touts, said that if suitors wished to have the luxury of a respectable firm of solicitors they must pay for it.

After some further discussion, the proposal of Dr. Cowasjee Hormusjee for the payment of Rs. 30,000 on account of additional law charges, was carried.

The Corporation then adjourned until Monday.

THE HINDU GYMKHANA.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—It is, I believe, more than three months that a correspondent, "Hindu," complained through the medium of your valuable paper of the tardiness of the Hindu Gymkhana Provisional Committee in getting up the gymkhana building. That letter of his, I was glad to find, goaded the members to action, and they at once rising to the occasion, seemed to take to the work earnestly. But lo! there comes once more a mysterious stop. I say mysterious, because nobody outside the committee can well understand the cause of this stop in the progress of the building. Certainly, money cannot be the root of this evil at least, because as far as my information goes, a sum of about Rs. 15,000 has already been credited in the Bank to the account of the Hindu Gymkhana Fund, and many more fair promises still appear on paper. Then one naturally looks to the committee for this. But the committee is composed of members shrewd enough to ward off the attack. In defence they urge that the building with its tower, being an extraordinary structure in their opinion, is a very complicated affair, and that of the engineer in charge is not capable of grappling with it all at once, hence the delay. The engineer in return may say he is solely guided by the committee, which does not hold meetings regularly. Now, which of the two excuses is plausible and sounds better, and which party is to be thanked for this, I cannot say. Hence I must admit the real cause of the delay is a mystery to me, as it must have been to many others. Whatever the real cause may be, it must be owned that the Hindu public is sadly disappointed, nay it is grieved, to find the progress of the building carried on at such a miserably slow rate, and I trust these lines will spur the members of the Gymkhana Provincial Committee on, and that the Committee with renewed energy proceed to do the needful, so that the building may in a short time form in reality "a specimen of Hindu activity."—Yours, &c.,

A CRICKETER.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE VICEROY has nominated Colonel H. A. Vincent, now President of the Council of Regency, Rampur, to succeed Colonel Robertson as Political Agent in Rewah. The Rampur appointment will not be filled up, as the young Chief of that State will shortly be invested with certain powers of control.

SERIOUS CHARGE AGAINST A GOVERNMENT SERVANT.

At the Mazagon Police Court, yesterday, Mr. Krishnarao Antoba Chemburkur, B.A. Assistant Secretary to Government, Revenue, Financial, and General Departments, appeared before Mr. W. R. Hamilton, Second Presidency Magistrate, to answer a summons, taken out against him by one Mahadoo Raghooji Umray, a servant to an opium-seller, charging him with having improper intercourse with his wife, named Kooshabai, on the 16th ultimo.

Mr. Smetham, of Messrs. Chalk, Walker, and Smetham, appeared for the posecution, while Mr. Dinshaw Daver, barrister-at-law, instructed by Mr. De Souza defended the accused.

Mahadoo Ragooji Umray, the complainant, on being examined by Mr. Smetham, said: I was married to my wife, Kooshabai, about fifteen years ago and have now one son, aged ten years. I live in a room of a chawl in the cart, situated at Girgaum Back Road, and belonging to the accused. My wife and my brother and son also live with me. I have lived in that cart for the last six years. The accused also lives there, but in a different house. My wife's parents also live in another chawl in the same cart. I first began to suspect my wife about three months ago, in consequence of certain information which I received from my brother-in-law Ramchander, regarding my wife's conduct I asked Ramchander, what he knew about her when he referred me to my other brother-in-law, named Bapoo. I then went to Bapoo, who gave me certain information, which led me to watch my wife's conduct. I then stopped my wife from going to her parents and told her not to leave the house during night time. On the 16th ultimo, at 9 or 9-30 p.m. I returned home from my work, and after taking off my clothes I found that my wife was not in the house. I then went to the rear of the place and found the door fastened from outside. I then went to my father-in-law's place and inquired of my mother-in-law about my wife, but she said that her daughter Kooshabai had not come there. While I was returning home I met one Gangaram Govind, who pointed me out the verandah of the accused's house, and I immediately went there. I there saw my wife and the accused standing in a corner of the verandah, and having improper intercourse. I then caught my wife by the hair of her head and dragged her to my place, where I beat her. When I saw my wife on the verandah, her saree was banging loose, and not properly adjusted. The accused was standing close to her, but I could not see whether his dress was in order. It was then moon-light. On the 18th December I was served with a notice from Mr. Bland, on behalf on the accused, stating that I should vacate the chawl, as I was ill-treating my wife and thus creating disturbance to the annoyance of his other tenants. I was in that chawl up to the 21st ultimo. when I vacated the place and took my wife away. On the 3rd instant, at 9 or 9-15 p.m., after taking my meals, I went out of the house, leaving my wife at home, and on my return I missed her. I then went to my sister and made inquiries, when my nephew gave me certain information, and while I was making inquiries, I met on the way one Pandoorang Dalvi, who took me to my father-in-law's place. I first went to the door of the house and afterward to the window, where I heard my wife and the accused talking. I then went back to the door and pushed it, but no one opened it. Pandoorang then came up and took me away forcibly to my house. When I pushed the door of my father-in-law's house, I made use of abusive language, saying that if I could find the accused I would hammer him. My father-in-law, Hurry Vithoba Chaver, then served me with a lawyer's notice, stating that I had taken away my wife's ornaments and that I was ill-treating her, and that I had brought accusations against his daughter which were false, and that I must return the ornaments and give some respectable person as security for his daughter's safety.

Cross-examined by Mr. Daver, the witness said: I sell opium, but I don't eat it. I do not drink at all. I am not a quarrelsome man, and I have never quarrelled with any body during the night time for the last six or seven years that I lived in the cart.

Did you never quarel with your wife?—Never before the last two months.

Your wife has certain ornaments, worth about Rs. 500?—Yes.

Those ornaments have been a constant source of quarrel between you and your wife?—No.

At Ratnagiri you wanted those ornaments back and also to turn your wife out, and more than once—? No.

More than once you charged your wife with committing adultery at Ratnagiri?—No, not at all. There has been no disturbance in my house for the last welve months. I have never struck my wife or tried to turn her out of my house during that time. In the cart I struck my wife only once, and that was on the 16th of December last. At 9-30 p.m., on the 16th, I brought my wife home and beat her outside the house. I then took her into the room and closed the door. I then advised her to behave well in future, and she promised to do so. About one hundred people live in that cart, but no one assembled near my door, when I beat my wife, nor did they hear my wife crying. I slapped her once or twice on the face, but she cried softly. After sitting down for a short time I and my wife went to bed. I did not tell my brother that I saw my wife having improper intercourse nor did I tell him the cause of my beating her. My brother might have come to know about it now. When I returned home from work, I sometimes find my wife at her relations, and sometimes at her friends and neighbours. Her conduct was not known to me before the 16th December. For the least two years I have not seen my wife having improper interconrse with people, the first time I discovered her was on the 16th ultimo. I have now come to the conclusion that she has been having improper intercourse with the accused for the last two years. I believed my wife to be a thorough honest woman, until the time I received certain information from my brothers-in-law, Bapoo and Ramchander. The verandah on which I saw my wife and the accused, is enclosed on three sides by a wall and one side by railings. The accused and Kushni were standing on the left hand side of the verandah. It was not then a very bright moonlight. I generally see a kerosine lamp burning in the centre of the verandah of the accused's house, but on that night there was no lamp burning. The accused has his wife, two daughters, servants, and a daughter-in-law. The daughters live with their husbands. Krishnarao has a lot of friends, but I have, not seen a single friend on the verandah. He smokes on the verandah at night. The people living in the cart sometimes move about till midnight. When I went to the verandah I saw my wife and the accused standing close to each other. The verandah is full of furniture, and I had to go round a bench. When I went there I stood in fear of my wife's character. I caught her by the hair on her head and dragged her home, when she did not raise any alarm. While I was dragging my wife home, I did meet any one on the road. The information I laid before the Magistrate did not contain full particulars, as I was to give a brief account and to narrate the whole circumstance on the day of the hearing. I did not tell the petition-writer that I had seen my wife having improper intercourse on the 6th December. After I lodged my information, I was not told by a pleader, or a vakil that I have no case. The story of the 6th December is not an invention after filing the information, but since then I have told many persons of the occurrence of the 16th. I have never been on friendly terms with my wife since the occurrence, but I am living with her. She has not improved as promised, as it appeared to me that her conduct was just the same on the following day as before.

The further hearing of the case was adjourned until the 31st instant.

M. BERTIN, head engineer of the Upper School of Naval Engineering, supports M. Clemenceau's view of the French Navy, but differs as to its requirements. He apparently thinks that instead of building unwieldy vessels like the Victoria, vessels that are brittle as glass, fast cruisers like those recommended by Admiral Aube should be turned out of the naval yards, and as soon as possible. If a big ship is sunk, the loss is disastrously great. In regard to cruisers, M. Bertin shows that a Franco-Russian alliance would be at a disadvantage as against the Triple Alliance, and simply nowhere against a quadruple alliance embracing England. France has ten cruisers built on modern principles, of a total tonnage of 73,000; Russia six, of a total tonnage of 38,000; the Triple Alliance thirty-seven—of which twenty-five, and the best of the lot, belong to Italy—having a tonnage of 138,700. England can put in line eighty-one, of a total tonnage of 362,000. Were England with the Triple Alliance against France and Russia, these Powers would have six to one against them.

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MUNICIPAL ADDRESS TO LORD LANSDOWNE.

HIS EXCELLENCY'S REPLY.

A DEPUTATION consisting of the following Commissioners waited upon his Excellency the Viceroy at 1 p.m., on Monday, in Calcutta. The Chairman and Vice-Chairman, Maharaja Sir Norendro Krishna, Prince Mahomed Buktiyar Shah, Kumar Dinendro Narian Roy, Mr. H. M. Rustomji, Moulvie Ahmed, Khan Bahadur, Dr. Bechoo, Fuzl Rahman, Khan Bahadur, Mr. Doucett, Mahomed Yusuff, Babu Durgagutty Banerji, the Hon. Moulvie Abdul Jubbar, Khan Bahadur, Nawab Syad Amir Hossein, Mr. Adbul Rahman, Moulvie Abdul Jawad, Babu Money Lall Banerji, Babu Radha Churn Pal, Babu Pulin Behary Sircar, Mr. O'Brien, Babu Chundi Lall Sircar, Prince Sir Jehan Kadir, Babu Okil Chunder Banerji, Moulvie Moosa, Moulvie Buderuddin Haider, Babu Sreenath Pal, Babu Joy Gobind Law, Mr. Phelps, Babu N. C. Bural, Mr. Simmons, Mr. C. C. Stevens, Mr. Trewlawny, Mr. Longley, Mr. Ryland, Mr, Osmond, Babu Nobin Behary Sircar, Mr. Ezra, Captain Corkhill, Mr. P. McGuire, and Babu Sosil Krishna.

The casket in which the address was enclosed was a work of art by Messrs. Cooke and Kelvey. It was a very handsomely-chased oblong silver casket about 18 inches in length surmounted with elephants, with the Star of India in the centre, around which was an enamel garter bearing the motto "Heaven's Light Our Guide." The casket also bore the inscription "Presented to his Excellency Lord Lansdowne by the Municipality of Calcutta, January, 1894."

His Excellency in replying said:—Gentlemen, I have much pleasure in accepting the address with which you are good enough to present me in the name of the Municipal Commissioners of this city. I have, since I arrived here in 1888, spent a considerable part of each year under the wing of your Municipality, and these have certainly been the months to which we have looked forward with the greatest pleasure. I rejoice that you have not allowed me to leave Calcutta without an expression of your goodwill. Your Municipality is, as you remind me, a non-political body. That, however, does not mean that its members are indifferent to political questions. It contains, on the contrary, the representatives of many different political schools, who cannot be expected to part with their convictions when they enter your Council Chamber. In a body so situated, it is inevitable that divergences of opinion, such as those which you have indicated, must exist as to many questions of public interest, and in no respect is there perhaps more room for such divergences than in respect of your estimate of the conduct of the head of the Government of India, a Government which is called upon to steer its way among the currents and shoals of political controversy, and which necessarily finds itself obliged at times to run counter to the sentiments of one section or another of the community. I shall therefore be careful not to read in your address anything which it does not contain. I accept it merely as a general expression of the personal goodwill of the Corporation, and of your opinion that I have, to the best of my abilities, and as far as my opportunities permitted me, endeavoured to promote the interests of your country. I am specially grateful for your sympathetic reference to the difficulties which have been occasioned by the state of our finances. Nothing is more calculated to cripple the usefulness of an administration, or to diminish its popularity, than its inability to make both ends meet. This is especially the case in India, where a liberal outlay of public money is so much required for the development of the natural resources of the country, and where expenditure of this kind produces such admirable results. We have constantly regretted our obligation to restrict within narrow limits our expenditure on such reproductive works as railways and irrigation. We have been able to maintain, during the last few years, a fairly steady, though in my opinion, not by any means sufficiently rapid, rate of railway construction. I trust that the time is not far distant when this city will be provided with direct communication with the two great arterial lines which are now approaching it from the south and from the south-west." "I can assure you that you are not mistaken in anticipating that my interest in India will not cease with my departure from your shores. I shall leave your country, at all events, knowing more of men and things than when I arrived, and it will indeed be a source of satisfaction to me if I am able in my place in Parliament, or elsewhere, to assist the public at home in arriving at a just conclusion in regard to Indian questions. Gentlemen, in the kind wishes with which your address concludes, you are good enough to include Lady Lansdowne. I thank you cordially both for her and for myself. It is the good fortune of the Viceroy's wife that, however fiercely the storm of political controversy rages round her husband, she at least, is sheltered from its blast. I can, however, assure you that, although my experiences have been less serene than hers, I do not yield to her in my attachment to this country, and in my earnest hope that Providence may bestow upon it in the future an abundant measure of prosperity." "In conclusion I wish to add an expression of my thanks for the very artistic silver casket in which you have presented me your address. It will remind me of the agreeable seasons which I have spent in your city, and of this occasion on which you bid me farewell."

LORD LANSDOWNE'S FAREWELL.

A FAREWELL ball to Lord and Lady Lansdowne was given in the Calcutta Town Hall on Monday night. The whole of Calcutta society gathered to say goodbye to their Excellencies, as our telegrams told us, and there was the most marked evidence possible of universal regret felt at their near departure. Among those present were the Lieutenant-Governor and Lady Elliott, the Commander-in-Chief and Lady White, Admiral and Lady Kennedy, and the leading representatives of the official and non-official communities.

At the conclusion of supper General Brackenbury proposed the toast of the evening in the following terms:—

"Your Excellency, Ladies and Gentlemen,—We have met to-night as a party of friends to bid farewell to our guests, Lord and Lady Lansdowne, and in asking you to give expression to that farewell in the good old English form of a toast to their health, I shall say in a few words why we so deeply regret that the time is close at hand when their presence will no more brighten our social gatherings in India. Lord Lansdowne has won the esteem and regard of all who have known him by his rare personal qualities. No pressure of business, no amount of anxious care, has ever changed that kindly, considerate manner, which has made personal intercourse with him to all who have had the privilege of it one of the greatest pleasures of their lives. He has never forgotten those small courtesies, those little kindnesses, which might so easily have been overlooked, and which in the strain and stress of a Viceroy's official life would have been forgotten by any less thoughtful and less unselfish nature. (Cheers.) But there is one quality in him which has, I think, more than any other won for him our admiration and respect. In old days it was the fashion to add to the names of kings epithets describing their personal qualities. They were called the Great, the Good, the Handsome, and even the Unready. I think if this custom were followed with our Indian Viceroys there is an epithet which by universal consent would be applied to Lord Lansdowne. He would be called "the Straight." (Loud cheers.) Not only once, but over and over again have I heard this expression applied to him in conversation, and many of you have not forgotten the cheers that greeted the words of our friend, Mr. Moore, when a few weeks ago in this Hall he spoke of him as "straight, loyal and true," (Cheers.) Yes, straight because his mind cannot harbour a crooked thought; true and loyal, chivalrously loyal to the Government of the Queen, whom he has served; loyal and staunch, chivalrously staunch to those who according to their lights have tried to serve him honestly. (Cheers.) To no Viceroy who ever left the shores of India can there be more confidently applied Tennyson's words in his ode on the Duke of Wellington:—

Truth-lover was our English Duke,
Whatever record leap to light
He never shall be shamed.

(Loud cheers.) Of Lady Lansdowne—(loud cheers)—I could so much more easily speak if she were not present, for I know that if I were to say half of what is in your minds I should bring blushes to her cheek, and therefore I will not dwell upon her generous hospitality, her sweet and graceful courtesy, her ever ready sympathy. I will only say that I hope she knows how she has won the hearts of us all, men, women and children, and I will apply to her also some words of Tennyson spoken of his own creation her Ladyship's name-sake, name-sake, Maud.—

There is none like her, none.
Nor will be when our summers have deceased.

(Cheers.) Your Excellencies will forgive me if I have spoken of you with greater freedom than I could have dared to speak at any other time than on the eve of your departure. I might easily have said more; less, I honestly believe, would not have given true expression to the feelings which animate those who are your hosts to-night. And now it remains for me, on behalf of those hosts, to say to you the saddest words in the English language, the word Good-bye, to express our earnest prayer that you may long enjoy every happiness together, true and faithful friendships, love of your children and your children's children, and to assure you that you take away with you from India that which, if I judge your character aright, you will value more than any other reward, the sincere and respectful affection of all who have known you here. (Loud cheers.)

The toast was drunk with enthusiasm, and on the band playing "Auld Lang Syne" all present joined in singing that pathetic song.

The Viceroy on rising to reply was received with a burst of applause. His speech showed how much he felt in parting with the friends he had made in Calcutta and he spoke in eloqnent terms of the manner in which his own and Lady Lansdowne's efforts at hospitality and friendship had been reciprocated during each cold weather season. His allusions to Lady Lansdowne were enthusiastically cheered, and her Excellency's unprecedented popularity was proved by repeated outbursts of applause. When the time came for their departure the band played "Home, Sweet Home," and their Excellencies were loudly cheered as they left for Government House.

The full text of his Excellency's speech, of which a summary has already appeared, will be given in our columns to-morrow.

INDIAN CROP PROSPECTS.

PUNJAB SESAMUM.

THE Final Report on the Sesamum (Til) Crop of the Punjab for the year 1893 sixteen selected districts only dealt with, reads: The estimate of the Sesamum crop of the Punjab given in the first forecast of August 1893 was 204,500 acres; in the second, published in October 1893, it was put at 198,000 acres. The final returns for the matured crop show an area of 234, 800, which is 18·6 per cent. above the area given in the second forecast and 30,300 acres or 14·8 per cent. above the area given in last year's return. The average area for the last three years, during which these returns have been published, is 167,800 acres, so that the figures for this year exceed those of the "normal" area by 39·9 per cent. The outturn is estimated at 518,169 cwts., or 25,908 tons—almost pricisely what it was last year. The average yield per acre was only 247 lbs. as against 284 lbs. last year, a falling-off of 13·0 per cent. The outturn according to full standard rate should have been 577,445 cwts. The estimate is therefore 10·2 per cent. below this. There was a considerable decrease in the area under Sesamum; in Kangra 69·2 per cent., Mooltan 19·1 per cent., Montgomery 42·7 per cent., Gurdaspur 33·7 per cent., Sialkot 48·4 per cent., Gujranwala 22·9 per cent., and Peshawar 61·7 per cent. There was a large increase: in Multan 173·3 per cent., Karnal, 184·6 per cent., and in Dera Ismail Khan 2414·3 per cent.; in this last case from 700 acres to 17,600 acres owing to favourable rains and means of irrigation. The reason for the decrease in Mooltan is said to be the substitution for Sesamum of other crops; in Montgomery it was due to the late arrival of the rains; and in all other cases in which a decrease occurred it was due to excessive rain in certain months, notably July and September. Sesamum is a crop easily affected by climatic conditions, and these vary greatly from place to place in the rainy season in this Province. In general the increase may be put down to favourable rains. The crop as regards outturn may be estimated as 14-anna one.

THE OPIUM COMMISSION.

THE Commission concluded its sittings at Lahore on Monday. Mr. T. Gordon Walker, Commissioner of Excise, Punjab, handed in a supplementary memorandum of evidence. He said that a large proportion of the population consume opium just as the Englishman of the lower class consumes his beer. Surgeon-Major S. H. Browne, M. D., Principal of Lahore Medical College, said that opium, except in a very few instances, did not produce bodily or mental degeneration. Mr. H. E. M. James, Commissioner in Sind, described the smoking of opium in China. The drug was used there in moderation, with harmless results generally. Mr. K. B. Muhammad Yakub, Deputy Collector of Sehwan, said opium was eaten by about five per cent. of the population of Sehwan. The physical effects of the drug were not for good, except when taken to keep up strength and endurance in old age, and as a remedy for coughs, asthma and kindred complaints. Mirza Jindwadda Khan, Revenue Minister of Bahawalpur, said he had never seen the use of opium to be detrimental morally or physically. Mr. Jaishi Ram, Pleader, Chief Court, Punjab, stated that opium was useful as a medicine, but not when taken habitually.

HIGH COURT.—JANUARY 26.

(Before the Hon'ble the CHIEF JUSTICE and the Hon'ble Mr. Justice FARRAN.)

Appeals for Hearing and Final Disposal.

775—Dikshit and H—Pandurang Vishnu Abhyanker vs Ruttonjee Bhicaji Karanjeewala—Ardesir H and D.
780—Chitnis M and M—Ganeshan Vilkanth Nadkarni vs Moroba Ramchandra Pay—Khunderao M.
797—Thakurdas D and C—Madonrao Madhowrao vs Khunderao Narayan—Chalk W and S.
785—Khunderao M—Goswami Shri Girdharji Maharaj Shri Govindraj Maharaj vs Shri Rukhminivahujee—Little S N and B.
787—Ardasir H and D—Hawabai and others vs Mahomed Syadbin Gulam Mohidin Pakmaraj—Payne G and S.

(Before the Honble Mr. Justice BAYLEY.)

Testamentary and Intestate Jurisdiction.
Suits for Hearing and Final Disposal.

10-93—Brown and M—Sumsen Huskel vs Sallem Balkajee and others—Wadia and G and Janardhan and A—Part heard.
15-93—Pestonjee R and K—Thakar Narandas Lukhmidas and another vs Heerabai wife of Khimjee Bodani—Matubhai and J.
7-90—Bhaishunker and K—Toolsabai widow vs Bhugwandas Metharam and others—Ardasir H and D.
16-93—In person—Poonamchand Veerchand vs Laloochund Gullabchand—In person.
5-93—V M Pakvasa—Maibai, widow of the deceased vs Mithabai, widow of Thacker Kessowjee Punja—E Wilkin.
8-93—Matubhai, and J—Marutirao Tukaram Patel and another vs Yeshodabai widow of Canoba Gunput—Daphtary and F.

(Before the Hon. Mr. Justice PARSONS.)

To Speak to the Minutes of Decree.

429-92—Nanu and H—Dinshaw Pestonjee Hathia vs Francis C F de Menezes and others—Craigie L and O.

Suits for Hearing and Final Disposal.
Postponed Long Causes.

336-93—Payne, G and S—Moosaji Valji vs Abdoolally Nooroodin—Brown and M.
372-93—K J Mantri—Nurbuddabai and another vs Godavaribai and others—Little, S N and B, M D and J, and In person.
236-93—Framjee and M—Maneckji Furdoonji Mehta and another vs Noor Mahomedbhoy Jairajbhoy and others—Thakurdas D and C.
457-93—In person a pauper—Veljl Jadowji vs Jetha Kallianji and another.
120-93—Edgelow and G—Munji Kara vs Khetsey Khara and others—Mansukial D and J.
375-92—Mulji and R—Sarat Chandra Chutterji and another vs The Oriental Government Security Life Assurance Co, Ld—Ardesir, H and D.

THE WEATHER.

OBSERVATIONS TAKEN AT 8 A.M. ON THURSDAY, THE 25TH OF JANUARY, 1894.

SUMMARY.

THE barometric changes are very irregular. There has been a brisk to rapid fall at Karachi, Delhi and Ajmere, a brisk rise at Nagpur, and a moderate to slight rise or fall in other places. Readings are highest in Rajputana and lowest in the south. Gradients are moderate to slight. Winds are very variable in direction, and the force has been 22 miles an hour at Karachi, 14 at Allahabad, and 10 at Ahmedabad. The maximum temperature is from 6° to 12° below the mean of the season ot Delhi, Agra, Jeypore, Ajmere, Neemuch, and Jubulpore, and 4° to 7° above it at Nagpur, Amraoti, Ratnagiri, Mangalore and Bangalore. The highest temperature in the shade was 94° at Mangalore and the lowest 46° at Delhi, Allahabad and Saugor. Humidity has increased considerably at Bombay, and Coimbatore, and the skies are more or less cloudy in the Punjab, North-West Provinces, Rajputana, Gujarat, and at Ratnagiri, Belgaum, Cochin, Madras, and Negapatam. Light rain has fallen at Jacobabad. The barometer is much below the normal all over the country lying to the south of latit

PURE PERSONALITIES.

THE Duchess of Argyll, who has just died had long been an invalid, suffering from chronic asthma. The Duchess was the daughter of Dr. Claughton, formerly Bishop of St. Albans, and was married in 1863 to Colonel the Hon. Augustus Anson, V. C., uncle of the Earl of Lichfield. In 1877 she was left a widow, and four years afterwards married the Duke of Argyll. She will be much missed in the neighbourhood of Inverary, where her interest in charitable and other objects had endeared her to all classes.

The projected visit of Lord Roberts to Newcastle to receive the freedom of the city, is exciting a great amount of enthusiasm among the Tynesiders. It is interesting to learn that a number of the pensioners in the Armstrong Works have served under the General, sharing his fortunes in many a stiff battle; and it is proposed that they should in some way be identified with the proceedings. Of two officials taking an active part in the preparations, one, Mr. Andrew Hook, served under Lord Roberts and wears four Crimean clasps; and the other, Mr. Walden, served under the General in Abyssinia, was fifteen years in active service in South Africa, and went through the whole of the Zulu campaign.

We regret to see it stated that Lord Esher is not so well again, and will probably not be able to resume his work for some little time after the beginning of the Hilary sittings. The Rolls Court will not be the same place without the strong and genial Master, who has presided over it ever since 1883, even though his absence be but temporary. Lord Esher has been on the Bench so long—he was first appointed in 1868—that most people have forgotten he was ever a politician. He was, however, the hero of the famous Helston election when there was a "die," and the Mayor gave the casting vote after four o'clock, which led to his being summoned before the House of Commons, and to the seating of Mr. Brett on petition.

The good intellects numbred by the Thirteen Club intend at their belated New Year's banquet to defy ill-luck throughly or not at all. In addition to the preparations to which we referred last week, there now comes a subtle refinement: the guests are to be attended to by cross-eyed waiters, in the search for whom the Metropolis is now being ran sacked. Mr. Swift MacNeil would probably say that the chairman for the evening, Mr Harry Furniss, has also this visual obliquity.

Are we not really having a little to many personal details of the lives of our minor poets? Asks a home paper. Mr. Le Gallienne, for instance, is no doubt a writer of some very pretty verses, but it is really somewhat too much to read, as we do in a weekly contemporary, a mass of personal description, which would be overdone if the subject were Shakespere or Milton. Let us have as much appreciative criticism as may be on their works, but leave the poets themselves with some remnant of dignity and reserve.

A paragraph in an American paper gives emphasis to the prayer of the petition of the captains of Atlantic going steamers to the Treasury, that this country should join America in destroying derelicts at sea. The life of some of these derelicts is remarkable: One was reported not long ago that had floated at least 5,500 miles, and another, according to the records of the Hydrographic Office, has drifted 6,000 miles, and been reported 22 times. When last seen she was not far from the spot where the crew left her; and it can be little satisfaction to them to know that she has continued afloat for more than two years.

We are accustomed to pathetic complaints from the male theatre-goer of the impossibility of seeing the performance through the huge hats of the ladies, but it is curious to find in the "Daily Graphic" a wail from "An unemancipated woman," complaining of the same nuisance in the Ladies Gallery of the House of Commons. It seems she was not only prevented from seeing anything by her own sex, but that the male belongings of the ladies were so busy in explaining which was the mace, &c., that she could not even hear. Silence and no bonnets seem to be much required behind the Grille.

It is said that Captain and Mrs Osborne (of pearl case fame) are living happily together, and that the latter and Mrs Hargreaves have become friends again.

Mr. Chevalier is celebrating the season with a new song, which is said to be happier than any of his recent efforts—even than "Appy 'Ampsed.' Carefully made up in the character of an unemployed, he discusses from a pessimistic view the uselessness of making effort. Whats the good of anything? Why, nothing is the burden of his song.

The Daily Chronicle's Vienna correspondent telegraphs that it is now stated that Princess Elizabeth of Bavaria and Baron Von Seifried were not, as reported, married at Genoa with the consent of the Princess's family. The young couple are believed to have eloped, and to be staying under an assumed name at some quiet spot in Switzerland. No precise information is to be obtainable respecting their marriage.

The latest picture story comes from Paris. An amateur recently picked up for a modest sixpence a study in red chalk which his judgment told him was a good thing. On further examination it was proved beyond possibility of doubt that the study was one of Raphael's drawings for the famous La Disputa del Sacramento, now hanging in the Vatican. The actual value of that red chalk sketch may be put at something like £400.

American newspapers recently published an advertisement asking for a man who, in consideration of an indemnity of £1000 would submit himself to an operation that might result fatally. This advertisement emanated from two doctors in Guayaquil (Ecuador), who have the intention of cutting an opening in the stomach of the selected candidate, in order that they may observe the phenomena of digestion. One hundred and forty-two persons have replied to the advertisement and have offered their services. Out of these 142 people, Professor Osbalderston, of New York, has selected for the purpose a professional wrestler.

Mrs. Crackanthorpe devotes an article in the Nineteenth Century to the serious differences which she says exist in fashionable families between mothers and daughters. When a leading London doctor confides to a friend that he is much concerned by a new phenomenon in his practice—to wit, the frequent presence in his waiting-room of mothers broken down in body and perplexed in mind over difficulties with their grown-up daughters and of daughters come to consult him privately whose nerves have gone wrong, because, as they put their case, they are not understood or sympathised with by their mothers, this is significant indeed.

Miss Eliza Work is an old lady who will be 100 years old if she lives six weeks longer, and she resides at Henrietta, N. Y., U. S. A. She has been interviewed by an American journalist, and she gives the following recipe for the attainment of old age:—The reason I have lived so long, says Miss Work, and kept always so well and hearty, is because I never drank tea or coffee, and, above all, never got married. The good lady evidently lives up to her name, for she says she has done a big days work every day for more than 90 years, and hopes to do a great many more. Miss Works brother lived to be 101, and she is of opinion that he would have lived much longer if he had never married.

Lord Ripon, Secretary of State for the Colonies, has received from the Governor of Victoria, on behalf of the Australian colonies, an invitation for the Duke and Duchess of York to visit them. Lord Ripon has submitted the invitation to their Royal Highnesses, who have communicated their reply, which the Colonial Secretary will cable out to Australia. Although its purport is not definitely known, it is understood that the Duke of York has been obliged to decline the invitation for the present in consequence of domestic circumstances. The reply is couched in very cordial language, expressing full appreciation of the kindly feeling displayed by Australia.

The list of New Year's honours is a short one. I am glad (says Mr. Labouchere in 'Truth') that there are no new peers, unless, indeed, several hundred suicidal peers had been created pledged to Home Rule and then to a happy dispatch. It is, to my thinking, and absurdity for a party, the vast majority of whose members regard hereditary legislators as an hereditary scandal to grant peerages for party services. As for baronets or knights I would make every one who wishes for a prefix to his name one or the other. The curious thing connected with these creatures is that never yet has a man been found who, according to his own showing, wanted to be either a baronet or a knight. They always explain that they personally dislike the prefix of Sir to their names, but that their wives were so desirous to be my lady that they have had to sacrifice their own feelings on the altar of connubial affection.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.—Are you broken in your rest by a sick child suffering with the pain of cutting teeth? Go at once to a Chemist and get a Bottle of Mrs. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP. It will relieve the poor sufferer immediately. It is perfectly harmless and pleasant to taste, it produces natural, quiet sleep, by relieving the child from pain, and the little cherub awakes "as bright as a button." It soothes the child, it softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels, and is the best known remedy for Dysentery and Diarrhœa, whether arising from teething or other causes. Mrs. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP is sold by Medicine dealers everywhere at 1 s. 1½ d. per bottle.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVALS.—JANUARY 9.
Clarke, 2nd Lt, Bo, R A, on duty, from England.
JANUARY 24.
Grove, Capt, Ms, Cheshire Regt, on leave, from Bellary.
Geoghegan, Capt, Bo, D A A G, on leave, from Poona.
DEPARTURES.—JANUARY 20.
Carleton, Surgn-Major, Ms, A M S, on duty, to Fort St George,
JANUARY 24.
Brown, Surgn-Col, Bengal, P M and Q D, on leave, to Colombo.
Preston, 2nd Lieut, Bengal, 40th Pathans, on leave to Australia.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY MAJOR G. W. ROUGHTON COMMANDING B. V. A.

Bombay, 25th January, 1894.

1. The following drills will take place to-day:—
Fort Head-Quarters.
8-30 p.m.—Proficiency class.
Nesbit Road Head-Quarters.
8-30 p.m.—10-inch R M L Gun drill and Squad drill Nos 1 and 4 Sub-divisions.

2. Parade for Tomorrow:—No 1 Company will fall in at the Prince of Wales' Statue, at 4 p.m., and proceed to Colaba North Fort, for 6 inch B L gun drill. No 2 Company will fall in at Treasher's Buildings, Fort, at 4 p.m. and proceed to Colaba North Fort to finish the annual gun target practice. Dress for both Companies: Drill order without arms. Putties to be worn.

By Order,
(Sd.) J. SANDERS SLATER, Lieut,
Acting Adjt., B. V. A.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY LT.-COL. THE HON'BLE L. H. BAYLEY, A.D.C., COMMANDING B. V. R.

Bombay, 26th January 1894.

1. The Regiment will parade on Saturday, the 27th instant, at 5 p.m., at the Town Hall. Red or Khaki uniform, arms and accountrements. Members who are at the Tram Terminus at Colaba, Parel Road, Grant Road, and Girgaum, at 4 p.m., and those met on the way, will have their fares paid; members defraying their own fares will be refunded the amount on applying after parade to the Instructors and producing their Tram Tickets.

Cadets will be conveyed in special Tram Cars on Saturday, the 27th instant, as follows:—
St Mary's School—one double and one single Car to leave, Victoria Gardens, at 4 p.m.
Byculla School—one single Car to leave Victoria Gardens, at 4 p.m.

2. The class of instruction for proficiency certificate will assemble at Head-Quarters, at 6 p.m., on Wednesday, the 7th proximo, and every Wednesday, until further orders. Officers, N C Officers and Volunteers desirous of attending the class are requested to send their names to the Adjutant not later than the 31st instant.

3. "A" Company team will attend at the Ranges, this morning, to fire for the Inter-Company Team Competition.

4. The following members of D Company will attend at the Ranges on Monday the 29th instant, to shoot in the Inter Company Competition:—Cr-Sergt Black, Cr-Mr Sergt Stephens, Sergts Gordon, McKinnon and Tor, Corpls Valladares and Bullock and Vol Abraham.

BOMBAY LIGHT HORSE.

2. On all other mornings there will be sword practice at the Riding School.

By Order,
(Sd.) T. W. C. LEATHEM, Major,
and Adjutant, B. V. R.

BOMBAY GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

(*Bombay Government Gazette*, January 25.)

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

The services of Surgn-Capt J L T Jones, I M S, are replaced at the disposal of H E the Comdr-in-Chief.

The undermentioned officer is granted leave to proceed out of India on private affairs under the Leave Rules for the Staff Corps, the specified period to count from date of being struck off duty:—Lieut C C Fenner, I S C, Wing Officer, 6th Punjab Infy, for one year.

G I P Ry Vol Rifle Corps—The following promotion is made:—Capt C Nicholson to be Hon Major.

The following appointment is made:—Col T A Cooke, British Service, Assist Adjt Genl, Army Head Quarters in India, to the District Staff of the Army, with the local and temporary rank of Brgde-Genl in India, vice Brgde-Genl R A Combe, who vacated the Command of the Sind District on 9th Jan 1894.

The following promotions in the Native Army are made:—
6th Bombay Cavalry—Ressaldar Faiz Khan to be Ressaldar and Jamadar Abdul Hasan Khan to be Ressaldar vice Ressaldar Jaffer Khan, pensioned.

1st Battn B B & C I Ry Vol Rifle Corps—The following promotions are made:—To be Captain—Lieut C A R Crommelin vice Parker, transferred to the Reserves. To be Lieut—Second Lieut J M Templar vice Crommelin, promoted.

The following promotions in the Native Army are made.
20th Bombay Infantry—Havaldar Motiram Pema to be Jamadar vice Jamadar Guljar Missir, pensioned.
27th Bombay Infantry—Jamadar Muhammad-Baksh to be Subadar and Havaldar, Asab Khan to be Jamadar vice Subadar Surab Khan, pensioned.

1st Battn B B and C I Ry Vol Rifle Corps—The following appointment is made:—Douglas Stolliott Powell, Gent., to be Second-Lieut, to complete the Establ.

The undermentioned officer is granted leave to proceed out of India on private affairs under the Leave Rules for the Staff Corps:—Lieut A P Shewell, S C, Mr. 23rd Regt (2nd Battn Rifle Regt) Bo Infy, for one year.

H E the Governor in Council is pleased, with the sanction of the Government of India, to extend the tenure of appointment of Col P H Greig, Royal (late Bombay) Artillery, as Assist Adjt-Genl, Royal Artillery, Bombay Army, for a period of three months.

2nd Battn B B and C I Ry Vol Rifle Corps:—Cadet Company—Hony Chaplain Benjamin Henry Skelton to be Captain.

The undermentioned officer is granted leave to proceed out of India on private affairs under the Leave Rules for the Staff Corps, the specified period to count from date of being struck off duty:—Lieut C S Stack, S C, Sqdn Officer, 3rd Bo Cavly, for six months.

The services of Capt J A Houison-Craufurd, 7th Regt, Bo Infy, are replaced at the disposal of H E the Comdr-in-Chief.

Lieut F G A Parsons, R A Offig Sqdn Officer, 3rd (Queen's Own) Regt of Bo Lt Cavy, having completed eighteen months' probationary service, is admitted to the I S C, subject to confirmation by the Secy of State for India.

The undermentioned officers have been permitted by the Secy of State for India to return to duty—Major T H Mackenzie, Capts W A Thompson, and L A Gordon, I S C.

The undermentioned officer has been granted by the Secy of State for India an extension of leave for the period specified:—Lieut H G Benn, I S C, six months, medical certificate.

The undermentioned officers have been granted by the Secy of State for India extensions of leave for the periods specified:—Major H E Passy, I S C, six months, medical certificate; and Lieut J H Pollard, I S C, nine months, private affairs.

B B and C I Ry Vol Rifle Corps.—The following offig appointment has been made during the absence of Lieut-Col W S S Bisset, C I E, R E:—Lieut-Col H J B Hargrave, Comdg the 1st Battalion, to be Comdt of the Corps.

MARINE DEPARTMENT.

H E the Governor in Council is pleased to authorize Mr W H Rothwell, a Master in the B I S N Co's service, to pilot vessels in the Port of Bombay.

ECCLESIASTICAL DEPARTMENT.

The following appointments are made:—The Rev P R Harrison, M A, to do duty at Khandala, and the Rev W B Preston, M A, on return from furlough, to do duty at Baroda visiting Broach and Surat.

The Right Reverend Bishop L G Myine, M A, D D, is granted leave on medical certificate for eight months.

CIVIL APPOINTMENTS, &c.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

It is notified that Mr Vithalrai Himatram received charge of the office of Fourth Depy Assist Political Agent, Kathiawar.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

The Governor in Council is pleased to invest Mr H L Hervey, I C S, Assist Judge, Satara, with Appellate Jurisdiction.

Mr A B Steward, I C S, relinquished charge of the office of Dist Judge and Sessions Judge of Khandesh on the 25th ultimo.

Mr L C Swiffte, I C S, Assist Collr in the district of Dharwar, is appointed a Magte of the second class in that district.

Mr Swifte is also appointed under Sec 22 of the Code to be a Justice of the Peace within and for the territories subject to the administration of the Govt of Bombay other than the Presidency Town of Bombay.

Mr Harising Partabrai has been appointed Clerk of the Subordinate Judge's Court at Hyderabad in the Hyderabad Dist vice Mr Harjarai Udhavdas, transferred.

The following transfers of Clerks of Subordinate Judges' Courts in the Ahmednagar Dist have been made with effect from the 1st proximo:—Mr Rawji Bhaskar from Shrigonda to Karjat; Mr Mahadeo Sakharam from Kada to Shrigonda; and Mr Govind Narayan from Karjat to Kada.

Mr Bapu Harbaji has been appointed under the above section to act as Clerk of the second class Subordinate Judge's Court at Shevgaon, with effect from the 11th inst, during the absence of Mr. Wanan Vinayk, or until further orders.

H E the Governor in Council is pleased to make the following appointments pending further orders:—Mr C D Brown, I C S, on return from leave, to act as Assist Judge and Sessions Judge, Satara; and Mr H L Hervey, I C S to act as an Additional Assist Judge and Sessions Judge, Ratnagiri.

H E the Governor in Council is pleased to transfer Rao Saheb Govind Narayan Kelkar, second class Subordinate Judge of Sinnar, to Yeola.

H E in Council is also pleased, in accordance with the powers conferred upon him by Sect 23 of the Bombay Civil Courts Act to invest Rao Sahob Govind Narayan Kelar, within the limits of the ordinary Jurisdiction of the Subordinate Court of Yeola, with the jurisdiction of a Judge of a Court of Small Causes for the trial of suits cognizable by such Courts up to the amount of Rs. 50.

Rao Saheb Malhar Martand Nadgir second class Subordinate Judge of Sirsi in the Kanara Dist, has been allowed an extension for one month and ten days of the one month and nineteen day's privilege leave granted to him by the District Judge, Kanara.

H E the Governor in Council is pleased to appoint Mr Shoshgiri Ramchandra Kopnikar, B A, L L B, to act as second class, fourth grade, Subordinate Judge at Sirsi during the absence of Rao Saheb Malhar Martand Nadgir, or pending further orders.

Rao Saheb Shankar Keshav Sathe, acting Mamlatdar of taluka Man in the district of Satara, is appointed a Magte of the third class in that district, and is invested with additional powers specified.

Messrs R S Tipnis and J B Alcock, I C S, respectively delivered over and received charge of the Assist Judge, F P, Broach, on the 22nd ultimo.

H E the Governor in Council is pleased to confirm the appointment made by the Hon the Chief Justice of H M's High Court of Judicature at Bombay of Mr C W D'Gama to act as Assist Registrar of the High Court, Appellate Side, and Supt of the High Court Press, during the absence of Rao Bahadur Ranchodlal Kapurchand Desai on privilege leave or until further orders.

Mr J B W Biddle, acting Dist Supt of Police, Kanara, passed on the 5th instant an examination in Kanarese according to the test prescribed.

Messrs Parshotam Ichharam, Karkun, Commissioner Northern Division's Office; Ramchandra Hari Pariche Karkun to the Forest Demarcation Officer, Sanjan Khandesh and Narsilal Harderam, Huzur Recordkeeper, Surat, passed on the 11th Oct 1893 an examination in the Judicial Papers of the Lower Standard Departmental Examination translated into their respective vernaculars.

Mr Dayaram Gidumal assumed charge of the office of Joint Judge and Sessions Judge of Ahmedabad on the 6th inst.

H E the Governor in Council is pleased to appoint the undermentioned officers to be Visitors of the Subordinate Jail at Satara:—Mr W C Rand, I C S, Assist Collr and Magte, first class, in the district of Satara; and Khan Bahadur J M Kharsedji, Depy Collr and Magte first class, Satara.

Azam Krishnaji Hansaut Bidi, acting Head Karkun of taluka Sampgaon in the district of Belgaum is appointed a Magte of third class in that district.

The following appointments of Clerks of Subordinate Judges Courts in the Hyderabad Dist have been made:—Mr. Jeramdas Bhojraj to be Clerk of the Subordinate Judges Court at Hala vice Mr Mulchand Nirbhdas, retired and Mr Gurunomal Deomal to be Clerk of the Subordinate Judges Court at Tando vice Mr Jeramdas Bhojraj, transferred.

Mr W W Wellis, Supt of the Thana District Jail, is allowed privilege leave for two months.

H E the Governor in Council is pleased to appoint Mr H A Hall, Jailor of the Yeraoda Central Jail, to act as Supt of the Thana Dist Jail during the absence of Mr Wellis, or pending further orders.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Dr S K Nariman, Assist Professor of Vety Science and Resident Vety Officer, Bo Vety College, has been permitted by H M's Secry of State for India to return to duty within the period of his leave.

Mr N D Dhakmarwala, acting Resident Vety Officer and Assist Professor of Vety Science in the Bo Vety College, was appointed to Act as Principal of the College in addition to his own duties, during the absence of Vety Capt J Mills from 20th Sept to 19th Oct inst.

Messrs Narayan Balkrishna Godbole and Tzimbak Narayan Kirtane respectively delivered over and received charge of the office of Vice-Principal, Poona Training College, on the 23rd ultimo.

Messrs Balvant Ramchandra Sahasrabudhe and Narayan Balkrishna Godbole respectively delivered over and received charge of the office of Principal, Poona Training College on the 23rd ultimo.

Messrs P Peterson and M MacMillan respectively delivered over and received charge of the office of Professor of English Literature, and Messrs K P Trivedi and P Peterson respectively delivered over and received charge of the office of Professor of Oriental Languages at the Elphinstone College on the 6th inst.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Mr F X D'Souza, appointed by H M's Secy of State for India a Member of H M's Covenanted Civil Service on the Bombay Estabt, reported his arrival and has been placed under the orders of the Collector of Surat.

H E the Governor in Council is pleased to appoint Mr P R Cadell, I C S, to act as First Class Assist Collr of Salt Revenue during the absence of Mr R Thom or pending further orders.

Mr W F Sinclair, I C S, Collector of Thana, is granted privilege leave of absence for fifteen days.

H E the Governor in Council is pleased to appoint Mr H F Silcock, I C S, on return to duty, to act as Collr and Dist Magte, Thana, and Dist Registrar, Thana, and to be Member and President of the Local Board established for the Thana Dist, during the absence of Mr W F Sinclair, I C S, on privilege leave, or pending further orders.

Mr G B Reid, Commissioner, N D is allowed special leave on urgent private affairs for six months with effect from 5th May 1894.

Mr Richard Lambert, Assist Collr, Hyderabad, is allowed furlough for one year.

Mr C D Brown, I C S, has been allowed by H My's Secy of State for India to return to duty within the period of his leave.

GENERAL DEPARTMENT.

The services of Surgn Capt J L T Jones are replaced at the disposal of Govt in the Military Dept.

H E the Governor in Council is pleased to appoint Miss Freany K R Cama, M D, to act as House Surgeon, Pestanji Hormasji Kama Hospital, during the absence of Miss A W Jagannadhan or pending further orders, with effect from date of taking charge and in relief of the Acting Second Physian.

Assist Surgn Manilal Gangadas Desai, L M & S, has been placed on general duty with effect from 5th Jan 1894.

Surgn-Lieut-Col M L Bartholomeusz, M B, C M, was allowed furlough on medical certificate in India for one month with effect from 14th Dec 1893.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

H E the Governor in Council is pleased to appoint Mr G O W Dunn to act as Under Secy to Govt in the Public Works Dept during the absence of Mr C T Burke, proceeding on furlough, or until further orders.

Mr H V M Phelips is temporarily appointed to act as Ex Engr, Ahmednagar, vice Mr Dunn, or until further orders.

Mr F R Bader, Assist Engr is transferred to the Central Division instead of to the Northern Division.

BOMBAY SEASON REPORTS.

THE following Season Reports for the week ending 23rd January were published in yesterday's "Government Gazette":—

Karachi.—Rain at Karachi 1 inch 10 cents; average of three other talukas 38 cents. River at Kotri on 22nd 5 feet 8 inches against 4 feet 4 inches on same date last year. Rabi crops flourishing. Agricultural stock in good condition.

Shikarpur.—River 1 foot 2 inches against 1 foot 10 inches on same date last year. Kharif threshing and rabi sowing still continue. Early rabi crops flourishing. Rain in thirteen talukas; average rainfall 71 cents. Fodder sufficient.

Hyderabad.—Batai of Kharif crops progressing. Rabi crops thriving. Agricultural stock in good condition. Fodder sufficient. Rain in twelve talukas 1 to 77 cents, beneficial to crops.

Upper Sind Frontier.—Light rain; maximum 75 cents.

Thar and Parkar.—Rain in two talukas. Cattle in good condition. Wheat in ear in some places.

Ahmedabad.—(For week ending 20th January 1894).—Standing crops and agricultural stock in good condition. Fodder supply sufficient. Prices stationary.

Panch Mahals.—Standing crops and agricultural stock in good condition. Prospects and probable outturn of crops good. Fodder ample.

Kaira.—(For week ending 20th January 1894).—Standing crops in good condition. Tobacco cutting progressing. Prospects generally good. Fodder supply sufficient. Agricultural stock in good condition.

Broach.—Standing crops in good condition. Cotton picking and harvesting of rabi jowari in progress in parts. Prospects and probable outturn of crops good. Condition of fodder supply good and agricultural stock healthy.

Surat.—(For week ending 20th January 1894).—Reaping of jowari completed. Crops in good condition. Fodder sufficient and agricultural stock good.

Khandesh.—Rabi crops healthy. Cotton picking almost completed. Preparations of lands for next season in progress. Condition of fodder supply and agricultural stock good.

Nasik.—Threshing of kharif crops in progress. Rabi standing crops good. Condition of fodder supply and agricultural stock fair.

Colaba (Bombay).—Abnormal temperature nil on 17th, 19° warm on 18th, 20th and 22nd, and 2° warm on 19th, 21st and 23rd. Vapour in air excessive on 20th and 23rd; normal on all other days. Wind normal.

Thana.—State of rabi crops good. Condition of fodder supply and agricultural stock good.

Kolaba.—Threshing of rice crops in progress. Rabi crops, fodder supply and agricultural stock good.

Ratnagiri.—Sowing of summer crops almost finished.

Poona.—Standing crops doing well throughout the district, except in taluka Sirur. Reaping of rabi crops commenced in Sirur, Indapur and Bhimthadi talukas. Condition of fodder supply and agricultural stock good.

Ahmednagar.—Reaping of jowari, wheat and gram, threshing of bajri, and picking of cotton continue. Standing crops in fair condition except in places where rain was insufficient. Ploughing for next season in progress. Condition of fodder and agricultural stock good. Jowari cheaper in Shrigonda and dearer in Karjat talukas.

Sholapur.—(For week ending 20th January 1894).—Reaping of kharif crops nearly completed, that of rabi crops commenced in all the talukas. Lands are being prepared for the next season in Karmala and Sangola talukas. Prospects and probable outturn of crops on the whole good. Fodder and grass sufficient. Agricultural stock good. Slight rise in the price of jowari in the Karmala taluka.

Satara.—Rabi crops doing well. Reaping of jowari and tur commenced. Condition of fodder and agricultural stock good.

Bijapur.—Standing crops good. Cotton suffered slightly from easterly winds.

Belgaum.—Harvesting of early crops in progress. Rabi crops generally good. Fodder supply and agricultural stock good.

Dharwar.—Standing crops good. Threshing of paddy and early jowari nearly completed. Exotic cotton slightly blighted in the Hubli, Navalgund, Gadag, Bankapur, Karajgi and Ron talukas and Mundargi petha. Slight injury to wheat by rats in a few villages of the Ron talukas and Mundargi petha.

Kanara.—Sowing of second crop still continues. Garden crops doing well. Agricultural stock good.

Rajkot.—Wheat irrigation and cotton picking in progress.

Wadhwan.—Weather cold. Rabi crops good. Fodder sufficient.

Baroda.—Agricultural stock and standing crops fair. Poppy plants in good condition. Cotton picking in Amreli division continues. Scarcity of fodder in Okhamandal.

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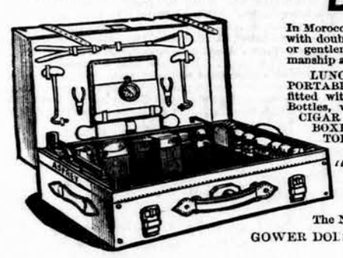

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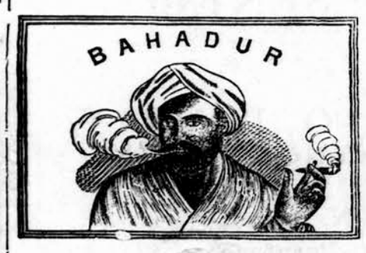

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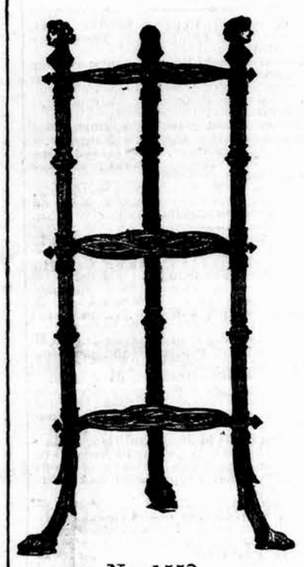

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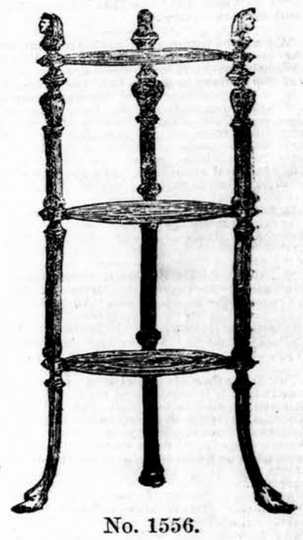

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